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**SHANGHAI TENSION.**  
Armed Men Threaten To Open Fire.  
**CANTON SPLIT.**  
Chang Kai-shek Shorn of Political Power?

Another attempt by armed men to enter the International Settlement at Shanghai nearly resulted in a grave incident. When refused entrance the men threatened to open fire and a critical situation was only averted by the aid of an interpreter. Regarding the Nationalist split General Chang Kai-shek is reported to have been deprived of all political power.

**CHINESE NAVY.**  
Reported Defection To The South.

Wireless messages from the North received by the local naval authorities from Shanghai refer to the report of the defection of the Chinese Navy to the South and state that the Kiangnan Arsenal and dockyard remains in the hands of the North.

Ships off Wusung, under Admiral Yang Shu-chuang are flying the Cantonese flag.

The Canton Split.

Referring to the split between the Moderates and Extremists in the Nationalist Party, the message states that General Chang Kai-shek is reported to have been deprived of all political power.

The Shanghai railway strike continues.

The Shanghai-Nanking Railway line has been interfered with, but has since been repaired.

The general strike celebrating the anniversary of Sun Yat-sen's death did not materialise.

A Shanghai Crisis.

Referring to the incident at Shanghai when 2,000 armed Chinese, were refused passage, the message states that a further 500 who were refused, entrance threatened to open fire, and a critical situation was only averted by the aid of an interpreter.

Admittance has also been refused to 250 armed men who attempted to enter the North gate. Shantung troops are concentrating.

The situation is improving at Wuhu, the Chinese commanders attempting to keep order.

Ningpo is quiet.

**DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.**  
A "Cheering Message" For Shanghai.

London, March 15.

In the House of Commons, a resolution moved by Sir Olive Morrison (Conservative) inviting the House to approve the foresight of the Government and congratulate it on its prompt action in taking steps to safeguard the lives of British subjects endangered in the civil war in China.

The mover of the resolution drew attention to the remarkably efficient manner in which the Defence Force had been moved to Shanghai and to the East. He hoped that if the Opposition divided against the resolution the House by its vote would send a cheering message to Shanghai residents and show the real opinion of the whole country.

Mr. R. Mitchell Banks, K.C. (Conservative) attacked the Labour Party's attitude to foreign affairs. He said Britain in their eyes was always wrong. They preferred to trust a foreign revolutionary to a British official when it came to investigating facts.

Mr. Mitchell Banks envisaged them telegraphing congratulations to the Indian leaders during the mutiny and protesting against the relief of Lucknow.

He contended that it was not Mr. Eugene Chen but the British mill owners who had improved the lot of Chinese workers. If Mr. Chen wanted to improve them let him begin in the Chinese mills.

A Missing Prime Minister.

Mr. Mitchell Banks asked whether the Cantonese Government was democratically elected and why we heard nothing of its Prime Minister.

He taunted Labour members with their fondness and partiality for the Cantonese and Bolshevists, in which connection he aroused much laughter by quoting the Frothblowers' anthem.

A Labour member, Mr. G. Barker moved an amendment regretting the ostentatious despatch of a special Shanghai Defence Force as unnecessary and calculated to increase rather than diminish the danger to British subjects in China.

Mr. Barker declared there was a garrison of over 8,000 armed men before the troops were sent to Shanghai, and it was protected by a large British fleet.

Mr. Lloyd George (Liberal leader) deprecated the motion as an attempt to make party capital. He said it placed in a very awkward position those who, like himself, supported the despatch of the Shanghai force because they relied on Sir Austen Chamberlain's word that the troops would not be used aggressively or to assist either faction.

Labour's Unfair Attitude.

If the extremists won in China it would mean 400,000,000 people

**OUR \$50 PRIZE.**  
Cross-Word Puzzle Competition Result.

The result of the "China Mail's" eighth Cross-Word Puzzle Competition will be found on page 6 of this issue. Two competitors, tied for first place, with fully correct solutions.

being added to the Communists' empire, making one-third or one-fourth of the population of the world. Our business was not to force our factory or our social legislation on the Chinese, but to leave them to govern themselves.

Captain H. D. King, the Government spokesman, asserted that negotiation had been the forefront of the Government's policy all the time. They had also maintained strict neutrality, unlike the Opposition and had entirely sided with the Nationalist South and ignored the Northerners who held views just as honestly and sincerely as the South. We were not acting alone but in conjunction with all the other Powers.

The Labour amendment was rejected by 241 to 138 votes, and the Conservative vote of confidence was agreed to without division.—Reuter.

**\$1,000 DAMAGES.**  
Claimed For "False Accusation"

**SUMMARY COURT CASE.**

Alleging that he had been falsely accused and wrongfully detained, Cheung Choy-ye, an engineer of Waterloo Road, Yumai, claimed \$1,000 damages in the Summary Court this morning against Man Wan-sang, also of Yumai, at whose instance, it was alleged, the arrest and charge was made.

The charge brought against Cheung was that he had been guilty of the alleged larceny of certain rubber rings and rollers the property of a rope manufacturing firm. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Ainsworth, the Magistrate, dismissed the case.

This morning, it was stated for plaintiff (the defendant in the police court action) that he was a partner in the firm in question and that the rings, etc., found on his premises were in connection with a certain process, with which the materials had to be treated in the course of their preparation.

Mr. Enloe (for the defendant) objected to the question of partnership being introduced alleging that he had made enquiries from the plaintiff's solicitor before the case relating to certain partnership books and was told that they would not be introduced.

Partnership Issue.

Mr. McCallum (for the plaintiff) indicated that he was proving partnership through plaintiff's own evidence.

Plaintiff, after giving evidence as to alleged partnership referred to the process by which he treated these articles, but refused to give the formula of the preparation away.

Mr. Prior wished to press the plaintiff to write the formula down, not for publication, but to get a chemist's view on its efficacy as he (Mr. Prior) put it to plaintiff that the idea of his having the articles on his premises for treatment was "all rubbish."

His Honour (Mr. P. Jacobs), indicated that he did not think this would help the case.

Plaintiff was also examined as to the policy having come to his house and taken him to Yumai Police station. Defendant, he stated, was with the Police and had pointed him out to the Police.

Plaintiff was asked by Mr. Prior if it was not merely the presence of defendant with the Police that made him say that it was defendant who had caused the arrest to be made. Plaintiff answered that the defendant had pointed him out to the Police who had subsequently charged him with theft.

Acted On Instructions.

Inspector Fallon, who had carried out the warrant, said he had acted on instructions from the Police station. The writ had been handed to him there. He understood it had been made out on the request of Wilkinson and Grist. The plaintiff was in custody for about two hours before being released on bail.

Witness was asked if there were tools or any machinery about the shop which could be used in such processes as those which plaintiff had referred to. Witness stated that there were a lot of articles about but he saw no machinery.

The case is proceeding.

**STILL SAFE.**  
MAILS VIA THE SIBERIAN ROUTE.

**DAIREN OR TIENTSIN?**

Is it safe to despatch mails via Siberia? That is a question which many who are in the habit of using this route have been asking themselves since the concentration of forces and outbreak of hostilities on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, which connects Dairen with the trans-Siberian routes from Shanghai.

A correspondent in the "North China Daily News" suggests that the public would do well to indicate on their mails the subscription "Via Dairen" so as to leave the Post Office free to opt but to despatch their mails by the safer of the two alternative routes.

On enquiry locally, the "China Mail" was informed that such a subscription would not help the local authorities and in regard to Shanghai, the latter authorities must obviously be keeping in touch with developments in the Tientsin neighbourhood and would not take risks which could be obviated.

In the meantime, mails to and from Europe via Siberia continue to travel regularly.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the Russian consuls are refusing to issue British passports for trans-Siberian travel on the ground that a delicate diplomatic situation exists between Russia and England. It is pointed out that England definitely threatened to break off relations with Russia and that the issue was still unsettled.

**NEW ERA.**  
Hankow Municipal Council Begins.

Rugby, March 16.

The agreement reached with the Southern Nationalist Government regarding the British Concession at Hankow came into operation yesterday when the old municipality was dissolved.

King's Regulations enforcing the new Chinese Municipal Council have given valuable co-operation in the delicate details of transfer and the Chinese authorities for their part have displayed good faith and goodwill.

At the annual meeting of ratepayers yesterday the necessary business, including the voting of taxes and approval of the transfer of assets to the new municipality, was transacted.

Debentures are being registered in the Consulate as specific charges against Municipal properties, and a bond is under preparation whereby the new administration on receiving the assets undertakes to meet debenture payments, to protect debenture charges on properties, and to notify debenture holders of their assumption of liabilities.

Three British Councillors nominated by the British Consul-General for the new joint council are the local managers of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co., and Jardine, Matheson & Co.

The Nationalist Foreign Ministry has nominated the Mayor of Wuchang as Director, and three Chinese Councillors, including the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and a local labour leader, the latter expressly to deal with labour problems.—British Wireless Service.

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**BRITISH IDEALS.**  
The Film as a Bond of Empire.

**HELPING HOME STUDIOS.**

Rugby, Mar. 16.

Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, moved the second reading of the Cinematograph Films Bill, which has for its object to increase the proportion of British films shown at cinema houses.

He said the cinema was the most universal medium to-day through which national ideas and national atmosphere could be spread.

If those were intangible things, they were surely most important things in a civilised country and in a great Empire. The strongest bonds of Empire were just those intangible bonds—common outlook, the same ideas and the same ideals typified in a common language and common literature.

Films were shown to-day to millions of people all through the Empire, and they must unconsciously influence the ideas and outlook of the British people. Only a fraction of something like five per cent at the present time of the films shown in the British Empire were of British origin.

From a trade viewpoint the influence of the cinema was no less important. Before the war 25 per cent of the films shown were British, but during the war British progress in the industry was stopped, and it was then that American competitors forged ahead, very often using British talent.

Faced with such competition, the British industry needed some measure of security, and the Bill sought to give it. It was proposed that the quota of British films which an exhibitor must show should always be lower than the quota imposed upon the renter. The renter's quota would begin in 1928, and the exhibitor's in 1929, and the quota in each case would start at 7 1/2 per cent and rise 2 1/2 per cent each year. He submitted that the figure was not too low. It was very important that there should be competition among British producers, and that was why the quota was deliberately kept low.—British Wireless Service.

**CHEERS FOR PRINCE.**  
Point to Point Race Won in Good Style.

Rugby, March 16.

The Prince of Wales won the Grenadier Guards Regimental point to point race at Bicester by two lengths amid the cheers of a large crowd.—British Wireless Service.

**WAR AND RIOT.**  
Danger Zones on the Yangtse.

**NOTES ON NEW NAMES.**

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Jumping-off Point.

These last two weeks, the trouble has spread downwards to the lower course of the River, the Nationalists having taken over territory eastwards of their previous frontiers.

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This city is not only of strategic importance but is also of historical note. It has been the southern capital of Emperors in the old days and was the seat of the Taiping Rebels' government about seventy years ago, until General Gordon defeated the "Son of Heaven," as the Cantonese adventurer styled himself.

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Tide Not Turned.

Nanking is connected to Shanghai by a railway which—according to to-day's wireless—has already been interfered with. Vernacular cables say that Kuomintang soldiers disguised as civilians cut the line. Whoever it may have been, the incident points to the Cantonese being very close on this Northern stronghold. On the opposite bank of the river to Nanking is Pukow, the southern terminus of the railway going North to Tsinanfu (in Shantung), the headquarters of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang and thence on to Peking.

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Entries will close at 12 o'clock NOON on SATURDAY, the 19th of March, 1927.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

**HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**

**EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.**

EXTRA MEETINGS have been fixed provisionally for the following dates:—

28th March.  
16th and 18th April.  
7th May.  
4th and 6th June.  
25th June.  
8th and 10th October.  
5th November.  
26th November.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 15th, 1927.

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**HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE  
ASSOCIATION.**

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 28th March, 1927, at 5.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926, and to elect Officers, etc.

G. E. S. UPSDELL,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

THE 38TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

**NOTICE.**

**QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS'  
ASSOCIATION.**

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER of the Association will take place on SATURDAY, the 9th April, at 8 p.m. in the Hall of Queen's College.

Members desiring to attend are requested to communicate with the Hon. Treasurer, Chow Ping-un, Esq., c/o Assurance Franco-Asiatique, China Building.

By Order,  
Queen's College Old Boys' Association,  
C. G. ANDERSON,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.



**NOTICES.**

**HONG KONG ENGINEERING &  
CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.**

**NOTICE OF MEETING.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
S. COURTNEY COOK,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927.

**THE BANK OF CANTON,  
LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th March, 1927, to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,  
LOOK POONG-SHAN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

**THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers,  
Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

**NOTICES.**

**SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
HONG KONG.**

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, 18th MARCH, 1927, at 5.30 p.m.

For the following Purposes:—  
(a) To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.  
(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the Ensuing Year.  
(c) To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.  
(d) To transact any other Business of which due Notice has been given.

All members are requested to attend.  
R. E. GREENSMITH,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th March, 1927.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1926.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

**THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. D. THOMSON,  
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927.

**NOTICES.**

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**

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**THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA  
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Buildings, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 29th March, 1927, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 29th March, 1927 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
R. M. DYER,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

**THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER  
CO. (1918), LTD.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF The China Light & Power Co. (1918), Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the Thirtieth day of March, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the proposed Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document 'submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof' be approved and adopted as the 'Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing 'Articles thereof.'"

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place on THURSDAY, the Twenty-first day of April, 1927, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of March, 1927.

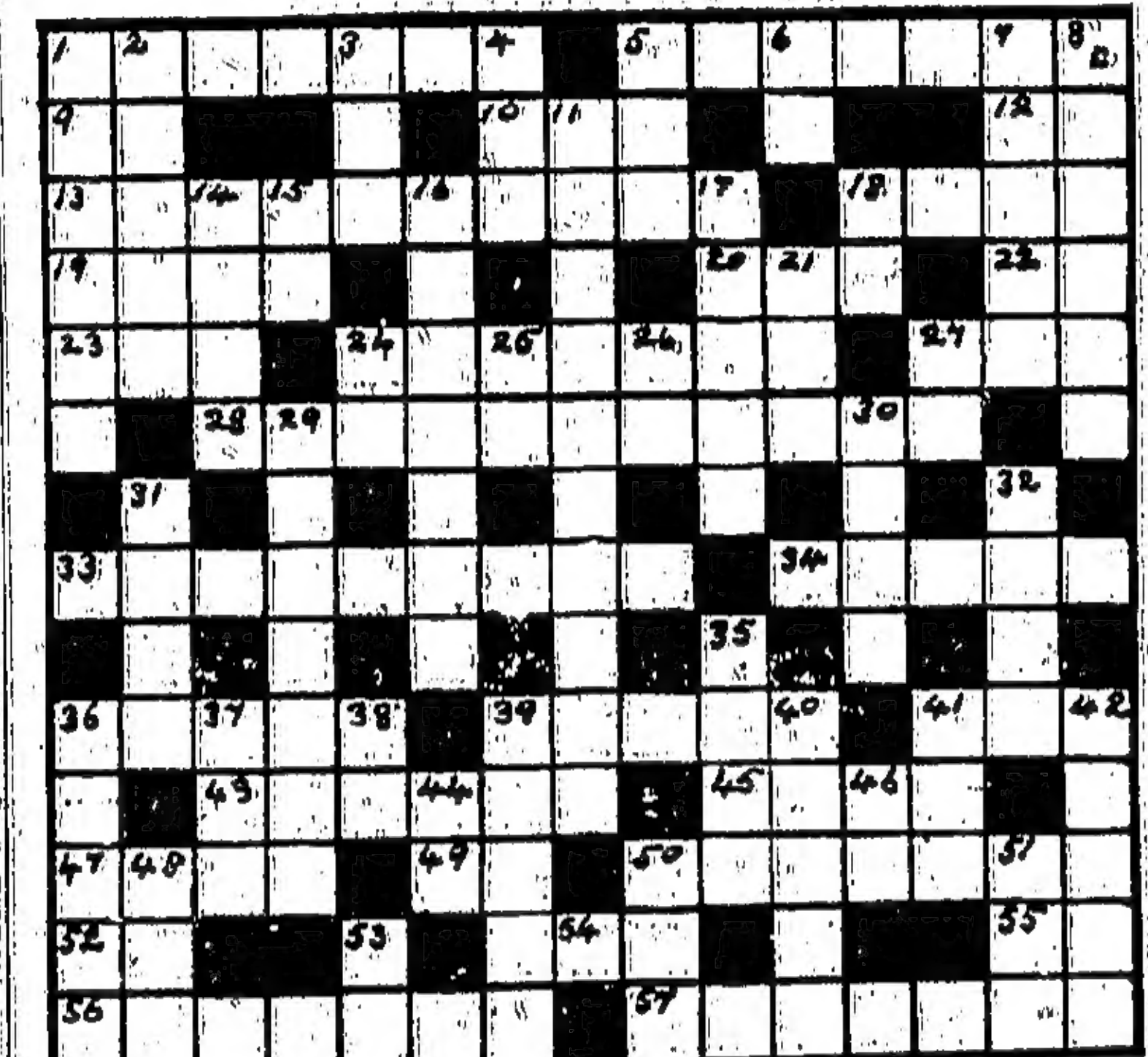
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1. The PRIZES in this competition are AWARDED STRICTLY on MERIT.
2. Each solution sent in must be made on the coupon cut from the "China Mail." Any number of solutions may be sent in.
3. An entry fee of fifty cents must accompany each coupon. Three entries, however, may be sent in together for one dollar. Letters sent through the post must not contain coins as they will not be delivered by the Post Office.
4. No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
5. Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
6. No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
7. The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
12. All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Offices, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
13. No member of the staff of the "China Mail" will be allowed to compete.
14. Solutions are held under sealed cover and in no way will be opened until the close of the competition.



[In the above puzzle it will be readily apparent that No. 54 across should be in the preceding square.]

To "China Mail" Cross-words,

c/o "China Mail" Offices,

No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.

DEAR SIR,

I agree to abide by your rules, and I enclose.....

for..... solution (s) which are attached.

Name.....

Address.....

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

**CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, MAR. 21.**

[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

**Clues Across.**

1. Causing hurt.
5. A figure with nine angles.
9. The thing spoken of (pron.)
10. OMO (actual).
12. A Memphis god.
13. Excellence.
18. A quiet talk.
19. Long fish.
20. A small but strong horse.
22. TU (actual).
23. Prefix meaning "Thrice."
24. An officer who takes charge of cattle agisted.
27. By means of.
28. Quality of being most evident.
32. Relating to guardianship.
34. To make a harsh noise.
36. Gateway to an Egyptian temple.
39. A dangerous sore.
41. Showed the way.
43. To enclose in a case.
45. Ratio or proportion.
47. Electrolyte components.
49. Thank you!
50. Full of hatred on account of another's success.
52. Stretcher-bearer (abbrev.)
54. A firearm.
55. S E (actual).
56. A miscalculation.
57. Plays with.

**Clues Down.**

1. Exactness of treatment.
2. Second of two.
3. The grampus.
4. Male child.
5. Abbreviation for "Numbers."
6. Word of denial.
7. To deliver a public speech.
8. The power of growth.
11. In a condition in which dimensions are ascertainable.
14. OLIO (actual).
15. Present of "Be."
16. Covers over with gold.
17. A cake made on a giraffe.
18. Confined to barracks (abbrev.)
21. Metal in natural state.
24. A V (actual).
25. An exclamation of triumph.
26. Theosophical Society (abbrev.)
27. P S (actual).
29. Dress fasteners.
30. Secure.
31. Tax on goods.
32. Excellent.
35. An aquatic fowl.
36. A triangular shaped body of solid glass.
37. LIN (actual).
38. Northern Counties (abbrev.)
39. Fracture or custom.
40. A crow.
41. Fifth sign of the zodiac.
42. Portions of medicine.
44. Denotes presence.
46. A South Pacific tree.
48. A Japanese lady's wash.
50. The furthest point of anything.
51. Practice or employment.
53. Mother.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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ANYO MARU Tuesday, 3rd May, at Noon.  
BOKUYO MARU Wednesday, 8th June.

MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Port.  
HARUNA MARU Saturday, 26th March, at 11 a.m.  
KAMO MARU Saturday, 9th April.  
KATORI MARU Saturday, 22nd April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.  
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.  
AKI MARU Wednesday, 20th April.

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TAKETOYO MARU Saturday, 26th March.  
MAYEBASHI MARU Monday, 4th April.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Port.  
LIMA MARU Monday, 11th April.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.  
HAKATA MARU Saturday, 26th March.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.  
TAMBA MARU Monday, 11th April.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.  
NAGANO MARU Sunday, 20th March.  
GENOA MARU Sunday, 27th March.

RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.  
TOMIURA MARU Friday, 25th March.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
MISHIMA MARU Saturday, 23rd April.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
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## GUN PRACTICE.

PRISONER WITH PREVIOUS CONVICTION.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed by the stipendiary magistrate (Lt. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N.) this morning on the Chinese man who was found in a lady's cabin on board the "President Van Buren" at 3 a.m. on Tuesday. He pleaded guilty together yesterday with a boy of 13 who was given a whipping of 12 strokes. But the adult prisoner denied a previous conviction.

This morning, Det. Sub-Inspector Vincent (in charge of finger prints of the Criminal Investigation Department) produced proof of a sentence served by defendant in 1926 of three weeks for unlawful possession.

In reply to His Worship, prisoner said that he had nothing to say against the evidence and sentence was duly passed.

## PIRATES CHASED.

SEQUEL TO CAPTURE OF TOW-BOAT.

In connection with the recent piracy of the Canton-Tungum tow-boat, when over 100 passengers were captured, the Canton Government sent troops last week to the Shun Tak district where, it was reported, traces of the pirates were found.

Three leaders of the pirate gang were captured. The troops are continuing their search for the rest of the pirates and it is hoped that the captives may soon be released.

## SAMPAN ROBBERY.

Alleged to have been concerned in an armed robbery on a sampan at Causeway Bay on March 1, four Chinese were charged before Mr. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's court yesterday afternoon. Mr. McCallum appeared for the first man and Mr. O'Donoghue for the other.



Cash awards being distributed to the members of Gun Crew No. 8 of the U.S.S. "Memphis" for their efficiency as marksmen.

## FOUND IN CABIN.

FIRING IN HARBOUR NEXT WEEK.

Gun firing will take place in the harbour next week and local shipping has been warned. The notice is given by the Chief Staff Officer of H.M.S. "Frobisher," flagship of the 1st Cruiser Squadron which recently arrived here from the Mediterranean to join the China Station.

Field gun practice will be carried out from Stonecutters Island, on targets at Chung Hui Island at 2 p.m. on March 24. Should the practice be postponed, the practice takes place next day. Chung Hui is the big island just inside Cape Horn Pass, the western entrance to the harbour. Near Chung Hui is Ma Wan Light and on the island itself is Chung Hui Datum with a large patch of cliff (facing Hong Kong) which is painted white for easy recognition.

## PORT OF LONDON.

The Port of London Authority has voted a sum of £400,000 for works of improvement with a view to bringing the port up to date, says the Central News. Arrears of work accumulated during the war. The money will be used for equipment, additional cranes, repair of sheds, railway lines, and roads. All the money will be spent on British materials and British labour.

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	Departure	Saturday March 19 5 a.m.
SEMPORNA	Arrival	Saturday March 19 11 a.m.
	Departure	Sunday March 20 5 a.m.
LAHAD DATU	Arrival	Sunday March 20 8 a.m.
	Departure	Sunday March 20 5 p.m.
JAMBONGAN	Arrival	Monday March 21 5 p.m.
	Departure	Wednesday March 23 6 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Wednesday March 23 2 p.m.
	Departure	Saturday March 26 5 a.m.
JESSELTON	Arrival	Sunday March 27 6 a.m.
	Departure	Sunday March 27 4 p.m.
HONG KONG	Arrival	Friday April 1 6 a.m.

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## DEPARTURES.

First-class passengers sailed on March 16 from Hong Kong on "President Cleveland" for Manila, were:- Mr. J. M. and Mrs. L. S. Board, Mr. J. C. Black, Mr. G. M. Muxton, Mr. W. W. Cox, Mrs. W. Wakeford, Mr. G. R. Cardinal, Mr. H. B. Cardinal, Mrs. E. W. and Mr. W. Crockett, Lucile Corbett, Lucile M. Carpenter, Mr. W. M. Mr. T. M. Mr. J. H. Carpenter, Mr. H. N. Guernsey, Jane L. Guernsey, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hadley, Martha L. Ladd, Mr. T. Ladd, Lillian B. Ladd, Mary A. Ladd, Mr. R. S. Miffitt, Frances Miffitt, Mr. M. G. Millor, Mr. E. Morrish, Marion O'Brien, Margaret O'Brien, Frances O'Brien, Mr. Donis O'Brien, Mr. R. S. Sterrs, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Torry, Mr. A. L. Taylor, Mr. J. Von Rosen, Mrs. M. J. Witt, Mr. S. H. Wilkins, Mr. D. C. McGregor, Mr. R. R. De Tilla, Mr. U. Takagi, Mr. M. Fukushima, Mr. S. Kitagawa, Mr. J. Nakaya, Mr. J. Kazahaya, Mr. Kurashima, Mr. Tokuhara, Mr. T. Sakamoto, Mr. Y. Suwahara, Mr. R. J. Harrison, Mr. V. V. Albo, Mr. Himah, Mr. J. Esplaga, Mr. F. J. Higham, Mr. Wylar, Rev. V. De Faute, Mrs. J. E. Laing, Mr. Tan Siow-kew, Mr. T. Dillen.

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STEAMERS	H'Kong	Shanghai	Kobe	Yokohama	V'v'v'
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 11	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11

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HAWAII MARU Friday, 8th April.  
LA PLATA MARU Thursday, 5th May.  
BOMBAY-Via Singapore and Colombo.  
SUMATRA MARU Sunday, 3rd April.  
HONOLULU MARU Tuesday, 16th April.  
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA-Via Singapore and Colombo.  
CANADA MARU Friday, 18th March.  
CALCUTTA-Via Singapore and Rangoon.  
BINGO MARU Sunday, 27th March.  
BANGKOK-Via Saigon.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.  
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ARIZONA MARU Saturday, 23rd March.  
HAIPHONG-Via HEBOW & FAKHOL.  
MENADO MARU Friday, 18th March, 10 a.m.  
NEW YORK-Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
ARGON MARU (From Shanghai) Friday, 18th April.  
JAPAN PORTS  
AMUR MARU Wednesday, 16th March.  
SOURABAYA MARU Friday, 25th March.  
ANDES MARU Wednesday, 13th April.  
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
TAIKWA MARU Friday, 18th March, 8 a.m.  
KAINO MARU Sunday, 20th March, 10 a.m.  
KOTSU MARU Thursday, 24th March 8 a.m.  
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 27th March, 10 a.m.  
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
SOURABAYA MARU (direct to Takao) Friday, 25th March.  
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MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles, London
KHYBER	9,114	9th April	Marseilles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull
DEVANHA	8,265	16th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	8,007	23rd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London
NELLORE	8,853	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	18th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,118	2nd June	Marseilles and London
KASHMIR	9,005	9th June	Marseilles and London
MANILA	10,902	16th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	23rd June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	30th June	Marseilles and London

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TILAWA	10,000	16th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
PANDA	9,566	3rd June	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st July	Melbourne.
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## LINERS OF FUTURE.

### THE TRANSATLANTIC SPEED CHALLENGE.

#### GERMAN-ITALIAN RIVALRY.

The recent pronouncement of Signor Mussolini to the effect that Italy intended to build Transatlantic liners capable of developing a speed of anything up to 40 sea miles per hour was not taken very seriously at the time it was made, and experts strongly contested the feasibility of such plans. Yet, according to Dr. Paul Rudolf Singer, who writes with some authority on shipping matters, there are good reasons for a change of opinion on this question.

These reasons he discusses in a contribution to the "Vossische Zeitung." The increase in the speeds of passenger-carrying ships, he argues, will be brought about more particularly by the corresponding efforts in connection with the air traffic which is now in its infancy. Maritime navigation will constantly endeavour to maintain its present capacity for competing with aerial navigation.

A very important factor in reshaping the whole of the passenger traffic from continent to continent was the limitation of the immigrant quotas in the United States. As a consequence there was a considerable change in ideas regarding the single-class ship, leading to the introduction—in addition to the ship with third-class accommodation only—of vessels with only first-class cabins and eliminating the second-class altogether. Steamers with the measurements of the "Imperator" class—apart altogether from the fundamental question of whether they are economically profitable—with the limited amount of emigration to-day, can in no circumstances be made to pay, for it is doubtful, for the present period of service of such ships, it would be possible to get together the number of emigrants necessary merely for paying expenses.

High Speed—Small Size.  
The Italian shipbuilders, Dr. Singer continues, have realised that with the single-class (first only) ship with a higher speed and a relatively smaller size, they can secure an advantage in the international shipping market which the other maritime countries will not find it very easy to overhaul. In the course of the coming years we shall have to reckon, in the first place, with passengers to whom every hour means money, and who will therefore be satisfied only with the highest possible speed for their journeys. That points to the air route. The second group of passengers will also attach importance to speed, but as much to comfort as well, and to them the cost of air travel, together with its attendant risks, will be too high, so that the four-day fast steamer will satisfy them. That means fast ocean traffic. The third group will consist of the rest of the travellers who wish to cross the ocean in normal conditions, and in the most comfortable way. These are the ordinary travelling public.

According to the latest information, and more particularly to many searching conversations with the leading German shipbuilders, exports, Dr. Singer says, "Mussolini's shipbuilding plans are to be taken very seriously. Similar plans have been worked out quite independently in Germany, but have been turned down, although they aroused some interest in German Government circles. Mussolini has secured a great advantage for Italian shipping in that he was able to get the widest publicity for his plans, whereas one hears of similar German plans only in a casual way."

The building of the future single-class passenger ship of high speed, and relatively small capacity, but with high earning power, will naturally be quite different to that of the usual merchant ship. The question of shape has already been settled in a manner that there is little more to learn. In pre-war shipbuilding practice the warship types were adopted for fast commercial vessels, and it is quite possible that with the adoption of a pure "cruiser-form" (tetrahedron) with relatively small horse-power and not unusual measurements, ships could be produced at German yards of the same sort and of the same value as those which the Italian shipbuilders are about to build.

Lightest Material.  
These cruiser-forms, which would thus be made to serve peaceful ends would have all the requisite accommodation for passengers, luggage, dining and social saloons. An important saving in weight could be effected by adopting modern principles and using the lightest possible materials in the interior of the hull, which would itself be constructed of the highest class shipbuilding steel. For the whole of the cabin construction duralumin could be adopted, following the example of airship construction.

"With a capacity for 350 passengers and the usual saloons, these vessels would have a length of about 180 metres and a displacement of 17,000 to 18,000 tons, while, with triple screws the speed should be between 27 and 28 knots. That is following the type of German cruiser building. In order, however, to reach similar measurements to those of the proposed Italian ships and at the same time to achieve more economic conditions, the figures would have to be displacement, 27,000 to 28,000 tons; length, 230 metres; speed, 22-23 knots."

One question which will have to be considered in connection with the profit-earning capacity will be what

size can be regarded as economic in present-day conditions. It may be assumed that the German project, involving a relatively small application of power for the development of the necessary speed, has most in its favour when it comes to a question of competition with the Italians. The propelling force would be developed by the highest class geared turbines and oil-fired high-pressure water-tube boilers and for installations of this kind some extremely valuable data has been accumulated from experience both by the German shipyards and by the shipowners. There seems to be little doubt that the number of passengers mentioned (about 350 first-class) could easily be got together for each voyage in the height of the travelling season when vessels of this type would earn the bulk of their revenue.

Aeroplanes as Tenders.  
"It must be admitted that for certain groups of passengers a limit will have to be placed on the desired speed. At the same time the increasing speed of world travel will necessitate some kind of connection between land and water travel by means of the aeroplanes. For this purpose, the arrival or

## NOT LOST.

### Spanish Submarine's Diving Feats.

Madrid, March 16.  
The Ministry of Marine in an official statement with regard to reports that Submarine B6 had been sunk, states that the vessel submerged for 72 hours under perfect control and returned to her base still submerged in perfect condition.—Reuter.  
[A telegram from Cartagena on March 15 stated that Spain's latest submarine B6 had not appeared for three days. It was last seen diving.]

departure of the "ocean-greyhounds," the big sports deck could be so arranged that passengers could be brought aboard or taken to land by means of small, fast aeroplanes. In the expert world such plans have already been under discussion—plans which have hitherto been regarded as beyond the range of possibility, and as being too expensive to enable the suggested vessels to pay their way.

"Travellers from Europe to North America should be completely satisfied if a trip by aircraft does not exceed 48 hours in the future, while the reduction of the sea voyage from Cherbourg to New York to four days, as would be possible with 32-knot ships, should be quite acceptable. Corresponding speeds could be attained on the voyage to South America, although at the present time there is not the same large demand for them."

"Against this project it may perhaps be objected that such ships could not pay permanently, because it would only be the novelty which would attract people to use them. The reply to this objection is that in the case of aeroplane traffic, with its much smaller carrying capacity, everything possible is being done at great expense to reduce the duration of the voyage. Taking all things into consideration, it may be positively maintained that the building of ships of the kind indicated is not a problematical or Utopian scheme, but a real necessity."

Cost of Construction.  
"If the economic condition of Germany at the present time the cost of construction is a decisive factor, and in this connection positive figures are obtainable. Naturally it is impossible to make a profit with only one of these vessels. A regular service must be established. While the Italians are hoping to achieve their object with two vessels only, the German shipping companies, as well as the English, are of opinion that for a regular notation, three ships of the same class and kind are required. The building cost for the above-mentioned swift passenger vessels would be about 33,000,000 Reichsmarks, so that for three of them the sum of say, 100,000,000 Reichsmarks would have to be provided, together with interest and sinking fund. Having regard to the high figures which are customary to-day in every kind of business that amount is not a great deal."

The Norddeutscher Lloyd is spending a similar amount on the two 45,000-ton passenger ships, with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd class; that is to say, for ships whose struggle for existence will be none too easy. As the big ship owners are now building at their common cost two ocean-greyhounds, the "Rex" and "Dux," owned by the Stabilimento Tecnico, Monfalcone and the other at the Ansaldo yard, Genoa—which will become formidable competitors in international shipping—it behoves the German shipping companies seriously to concern themselves with the same problem. The leading men in German shipping circles must become accustomed to the idea that in world business decisions must be taken swiftly and that the advantage will rest with those who most quickly translate their decisions into reality."

## SHIPS IN PORT.

There were 11 passenger-martins in Hong Kong harbour this morning of which number 21 by the British flag. During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. today, there were 20 arrivals and 20 departures and 16

## RIVER & GUNBOATS.

### 30-YEAR-OLD BRITISH BOATS.

#### THE OLD & NEW.

The little West River gunboats "Moorhen" and "Robin" have long been under the shadow of the axe, but apparently it is not the intention of the Admiralty to do anything in the way of their scrapping yet awhile, for two new captains have just been appointed. These little ships are 30 years old, and are the oldest naval vessels in really active employment, but they have worked every month of their life, have earned every penny they cost many times over, and are still wonderfully efficient.

#### Biggest in the World.

It must not be forgotten that the Red Ensign is carried into all sorts of old corners in China by the Mercantile Marine, and that it is always in need of protection, especially during the present unquiet days. The four new gunboats which are now being constructed are understood to be improved in the world whose draught does not exceed four feet, but far too cumbersome and unhandy to navigate the upper gorges where the "Robin" and "Moorhen" have proved themselves so extraordinarily useful.

Saved Hundreds of Lives.  
It is true that they only mount two six-pounder guns against the two six-inchers of the bigger boats, but they can take those guns anywhere and have done it on innumerable occasions. During the present crisis they have been responsible for the saving of some hundreds of lives, says the "Journal of Commerce." When the time comes to replace them with other small craft it will be rather interesting to hear if there is any reason against Diesel engines being fitted for steam work during the summer months is very trying indeed to white engine-room and stokehold ratings, and there appears to be little objection to the Diesel in ships which are mostly protected top-hamper.

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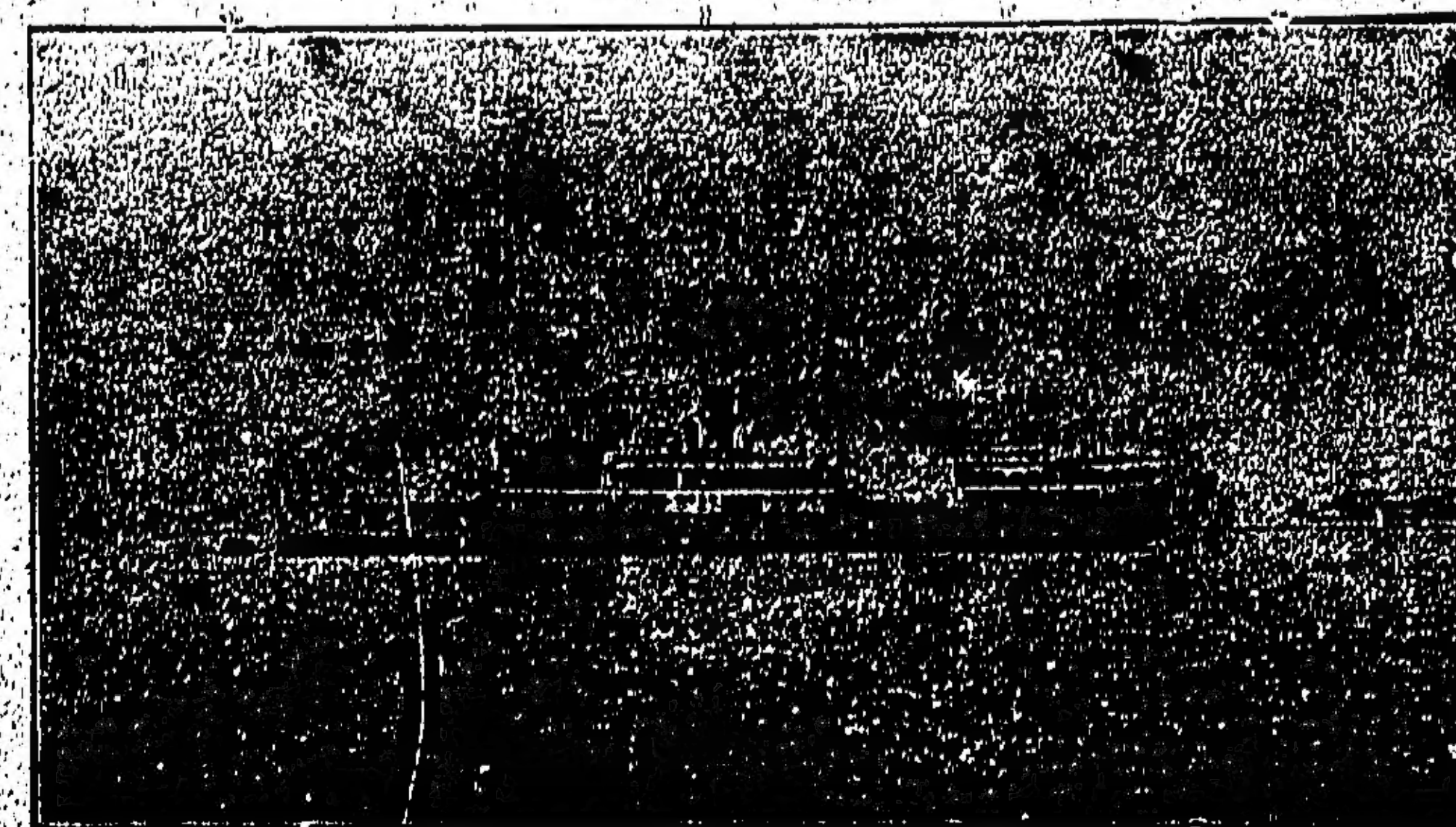
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### THE LESSON OF HANKOW.

The transfer of the British Concession at Hankow to the new Municipal Council has been completed. The events which preceded this transfer have been clouded with distrust, owing to the violence stirred up by agitators, it is as well to emphasize that Britain's action in making the transfer is in no sense the outcome of coercion, but is dictated solely by an earnest desire to meet the Chinese. The fact that the British were at one time compelled largely to evacuate the Concession owing to the menacing attitude of the mobs, while it meant leaving the Concession in Chinese hands temporarily, did not have any real bearing on the future of the Concession, since the British, under proper naval and military safeguards, could have resumed occupation at will sooner or later. The Concession has now been transferred solely as the result of negotiation, a point clearly established by the formal handing back of the Concession to the British before its transfer to the new authority. The object of making this fact clear is not to "save face," but simply to emphasize the moral of the transfer. Whatever opinion may be held regarding the wisdom of the new arrangement, at this stage of the civil war, there can be no question that it offers a valuable lesson, a lesson which the Nationalists would do well to take to heart. The British, as their history proves, can be a stubborn race, and, as their history also proves, they can be a

generous race. The role they adopt is usually dictated by the treatment they receive. If that treatment is intolerant they are apt to grit their jaws, and no amount of bullying will make them weaker. If the treatment is reasonable and manifests a spirit of give and take there is no race in the world quicker to make concessions or to arrange a compromise. That is the lesson of Hankow. What violence could never have achieved, negotiation brought about. When next the mob shows signs of breaking loose the Nationalists would do well to remember this, for if the success of their campaign depends in large measure on winning back the concessions as a means of impressing the populace with the patriotic nature of their aims, a mistake in this direction may easily mean the breaking of their cause.

**Inconsistent.**  
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has again been explaining Labour's attitude in regard to China. Labour supports diplomatic negotiations, but is opposed to sending troops to Shanghai. In the same breath Mr. MacDonald has had to point out that "it had already been necessary for a protecting force to be on the spot in Shanghai." That is "glorious inconsistency" with a vengeance. It is to be hoped that the Government candidate will make the most of this in the by-election at Leith where the Labour candidate in a manifesto declares that "the British troops are at present in China to enable the capitalists to exploit Chinese resources." If Mr. MacDonald would like to exercise his duties as head of the Labour Party he himself ought to tell the Leith electors that his candidate has told what the Unionist candidate well describes as "a deliberate and calculated lie." It is also to be hoped that both the China Association and the China Committee are taking a hand in the electoral campaign in Leith seeing that the Chinese situation is the principal issue at stake. When men of the type of Mr. R. F. Wilson, who has already tested defeat at a Leith election, go out of their way to malign their own countrymen and make capital of the necessity for defending British residents in China, no counter-propaganda can be too strong for them. They are a disgrace even to the Labour Party which, on the whole, is not so extremist as to remain silent when such "deliberate and calculated lies" are broadcast. Still, as Mr. MacDonald himself is quite at sea it would be too much to expect him to contradict Mr. Wilson and thus jeopardise any chances the Labour Party has of winning a seat in a triangular contest.

### LOCAL PROBATES.

**B.A.T. MANAGER'S \$7,000 ESTATE.**

Grant of probate has been made at the Supreme Court to Mabel Elliott Gourdin, of Hong Kong, in respect of the \$7,000 estate of her late brother, Frank Portland Long, formerly manager of the B.A.T. at Yunnanfu and a citizen of the United States of America. Letters of administration have been granted to Mr. D. J. Lewis, solicitor, of Hong Kong, in respect of the \$2,200 estate of Mr. F. Glas who died intestate in Hong Kong in July of last year.

### MARYKNOLL MISSION.

**Monsignor J. E. Walsh's Career.**

#### SOUTH CHINA MISSION WORK.

Bishop-elect Mgr. James Edward Walsh who has just been elevated by His Holiness the Pope to a Bishopric as Vicar Apostolic of Kongmoon, is 35 years of age, and after his consecration towards the end of May will be the youngest Bishop of any Christian denomination in China.

Born in Cumberland, Maryland, the son of devout Catholic parents, Mgr. Walsh's father was a prominent lawyer of that City, and young Walsh was intended for a legal career. At an early age, however, he showed unmistakable leanings towards a religious vocation, and in this he was wholeheartedly supported by his parents. He was still in his teens when he started his studies for the priesthood, being one of the first students to enter the Seminary of the newly founded Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America at Ossining, Maryknoll, New York. This was in 1911. Four years later, in 1915, Mgr. Walsh was ordained priest at the young age of 23. On account of his exceptional ability, Father Walsh (as he then was) was appointed Director of "The Venard," the Maryknoll Society's Preparatory College at Clark's Summit, Scranton, Pennsylvania. "The Venard," it is of interest to note here, is named after the Blessed Jean Theophane Venard, a young French priest who was martyred in Tonking, Indo-China, on February 2, 1861.

In 1919 Father Walsh arrived in Hong Kong as one of a little band of four young priests who came out to China as pioneers in the foreign mission field of their Society. Father Walsh's companions were Fathers Price, Ward and Ford. Father Price was the superior of the little group. Full of zeal and enthusiasm, the young missionaries were impatient to go out into the field, but they had to spend a couple of months in the Colony first as guests of the Very Rev. Fr. Spada at the Rectory of the Rosary Church, Kowloon, and later in their own little Mission House on Chatham Road, before their desire was gratified. At last other members of the Society arrived to take charge of the little procurator and the four vanguard went cheerfully out to Kongmoon as assistants to Bishop Fourquet's seasoned missionaries, of whose Vicariate Apostolic of Canton the district of Kongmoon then formed part. Twelve short months afterwards, however, overtook the little band when their superior, Father Price, was called away by the grim reaper. Father Walsh succeeded him as superior in the Mission.

The language difficulty was by far the biggest obstacle the young priests had to surmount, but they faced it with a will and very soon they were quite at home; and once placed on common ground they had no difficulty in gaining the confidence of the homely people they had come to minister to.

Soon Bishop Fourquet was able to entrust the whole of the vicariate to the care of the young Americans take his own missionaries to other parts where ministers were sorely needed. Then the Pope showed his appreciation by creating a Prefecture Apostolic for the Americans at Kongmoon, and Father Walsh was made the Prefect Apostolic with the courtesy title of Monsignor. Now, after eight years of unselfish labour, they have received further recognition, and the Maryknoll Society, now represented in Eastern Asia by a little army of more than 100 Priests, Brothers and Sisters stretched over Kwangtung, Kwangsi and Manchuria Provinces, and in Korea have a Vicariate of their own with a young but seasoned missionary as their Bishop.

The headquarters of the Society's Priests and Brothers in China is the Maryknoll Mission Procure, No. 160, Austin Road, Kowloon, the Procurator of which is Rev. Fr. William J. Downs. The Sisters of the Mission in China also have their centre house in Kowloon at No. 103, Austin Road. The perils of missionary life in the interior of China are illustrated by the lucky escape which Mgr. Walsh and Father O'Melia had from being among the victims of the piracy of the Customs launch near Macao not so long ago. They owe their lives to the fortunate circumstances that the crime was committed while the launch was on the trip to instead of from Macao, as it had been their intention to travel on the launch back to Pakkai after a short rest from their labours in Hong Kong.

However, the missionaries' way of putting self in the background led to the episode being dismissed by the following short paragraph culled from a diary from Hong Kong headed "The Pebble" and printed in the February number

### OUR \$50 PRIZE.

**Result of the Eighth Puzzle.**

#### TWO TIE FOR FIRST PLACE.

The "China Mail" has pleasure in announcing the result of its eighth Cross-Word Puzzle Competition which has been won by two competitors with fully correct solutions. These two competitors are:—

Mrs. Florence Chan,  
39, Bowington New Street,  
Mr. W. C. Lai,  
Lugard Hall,  
The University.

The \$50 prize will be divided among the two winners, and in accordance with the rules cheques will be sent to them four days hence, under registered cover, together with the congratulations of the "China Mail."

The correct solutions are as follows:—

Across.  
1. CANKER; 7. BUSTLE; 13. ARE; 14. RUHR; 15. NOWEL; 16. NEWTON; 18. OYES; 19. ONO; 20. NEAT; 21. PA; 22. EN; 24. TP; 25. SALVIA; 26. CRATED; 30. SEC.

Down.  
1. CAN; 2. ARENA; 3. NEWELS; 4. EROTIC; 5. RUN; 6. BROACHER; 7. UNSETTLING; 9. SO; 10. TWO 11. LENT; 12. ELOPED; 17. TAVERN; 23. NEEDS; 25. STRINKLE; 27. RA; 28. ATE; 29. DREADS; 31. COAL; 32. ER; 34. TEAR; 36. ETON; 37. DP; 38. SO; 40. HOARDING; 42. ON; 45. WEN; 48. TAGLIA; 49. CHASE; 51. GROPPES; 53. BOA; 55. EN; 56. OBE; 58. NEST; 60. TRON; 62. ZEBU; 63. NS; 65. TOR; 66. OS.

### CHARTERED BANK.

**DIVIDEND FOR LAST HALF YEAR.**

#### BONUS & APPROPRIATION.

The local office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China has received the following telegram from the head office:—

"At the approaching meeting of shareholders, directors will recommend a dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 14 per cent per annum free of income tax and a bonus of 6s. 3d. per share. "£25,000 added to Officers' Pension Fund. "£40,000 written off Premises. "£100,000 set aside on account of contingencies. "£215,354.5s.3d. carried forward."

### ORGAN RECITAL.

**TO-MORROW'S CATHEDRAL PROGRAMME.**

#### COLLECTION FOR FUND.

To-morrow evening at 5.45, Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L. (the Cathedral Chaplain) is to give an organ recital in St. John's Cathedral, assisted by Mr. C. D. Lake (tenor).

The next recital will be on Friday, March 25 at 5.45 p.m. Collections will be for the Organ Fund.

To-morrow's programme is:—  
1.—Intermezzo, Hollins.  
2.—Andantino in D. Flat, Lemare.  
3.—Lamentation, Gullmant.  
4.—Tenor Solo, "But, Thou didst not Leave," Handel.  
5.—Allegretto in B. Minor, Gullmant.  
6.—Hymn 163 (and collection).  
7.—Tenor Solo, (a) Recit: "Sing Ye Praise," (b) Aria: "He Counteth all Your Sorrows, Mendelssohn.  
8.—Humoreske, Dvorak.  
9.—Marche Solennelle, Mailly.

Rome, March 16.—Lou Cheng-chiang, a fervent Catholic and former Chinese Foreign Minister who headed the Chinese delegation to the Paris peace conference, is now retiring into private life from the post of Minister at Bern. He has sent all decorations to the Pope as a sign of homage, asking permission to leave to the pontiff a memento of the culminating phases of his career.—Reuter.

of "The Field Afar" the official monthly magazine of the Society published at Maryknoll, New York:—

"Mgr. Walsh and Fr. O'Melia came back from Macao. The Customs boat which was to have arrived from Pakkai failed to put in an appearance. Since then we have learned that it was pirated and the European officer probably killed. The boat itself was after some days recovered, aground. The party made a second attempt to get to Pakkai—and succeeded, after a further delay of some days in Macao."

### SEAMEN AND CHINA.

**Trades Union Congress Rebuked.**

#### DEMAND FOR A BALLOT.

At a largely-attended meeting of Liverpool seafarers, a resolution was adopted protesting against the action of the "members of the General Council of the Trades Union Congress in supporting the 'Hands-off-China' policy. The resolution declared, in part:—

We would remind the General Council that it is the duty of his Majesty's Government, regardless of all political views and policies, to be at all times prepared to afford our fellow-countrymen, women, and children adequate protection from aggression both at home and abroad; and that we, our profession as seamen being an international calling, consider it to be essential that we are guaranteed immunity from interference by foreign aggression whilst engaged in our legitimate occupation of carrying on the trade, and commerce of the Empire. Only by means of such protection for the Mercantile Marine has it been possible in the past to build up the prosperity of England, and recent events in Far Eastern waters have given rise to much apprehension in the minds of the seafaring classes as to our future security, both as regards the freedom of the high seas and immunity from acts of violence whilst ships are in Eastern ports. The General Council are fully aware that such fears and apprehensions are fully justified by the acts of piracy and barter which have been carried out recently against British ships in Chinese waters.

#### Duty of General Council.

We would point out that it is the duty of the General Council to protect the interests of the workers of this country, and that our wide, long trade and commerce in China, built up by the merchant seamen of all ratings, represents employment to hundreds and thousands of our fellow-workers in the shipyards, docks, factories, and mines of this country. At the same time stressing the fact that the territory occupied by us in China has been granted to us by agreement in the form of a treaty entered into between a previous Chinese Government and this country, not be armed persuasion.

Further, we claim that the game of embarrasing the Government at such a critical juncture may be perfectly legitimate for a political party, but that our trade union movement, which is purely and simply an industrial organisation, should not allow themselves to become involved in such political issues, more especially as, in the event of our legitimate interests in China being stolen from us by force, the tremendous trading and commercial concerns which have been built up in that country through British initiative and British capital will be lost to us, and as a consequence thousands of our fellow-workers will be thrown out of employment. It is the primary duty of the General Council of the T.U.C. to do their best to alleviate unemployment, not to intensify the trouble.

#### "Red" Movement.

Touching our own interests as seamen and members of the National Union of Seamen, a body which is affiliated to the T.U.C., and which contributes its proportional quota of the funds of the Congress, we emphatically protest against the use of any portion of the said funds for the furtherance of such a movement as the bogus "Hands-off-China" campaign, a dangerous political movement which has no real support from the vast majority of workers of this country, and which has been initiated by the "Reds" from Moscow and their allies in this country. Our protest is rendered more emphatic by the knowledge that these same "Reds" are the people who engineered the disastrous mining and general strikes, thus bringing much poverty and misery into the homes of thousands of our fellow-countrymen.

We therefore, under the foregoing circumstances, beg, beseech, and finally demand that the General Council of the T.U.C. shall take no further part in this pernicious anti-national campaign until they have adopted the constitutional course of taking a ballot vote of all trades unions, societies, and bodies affiliated to Congress, seeing that this is the only safe and proper course to pursue.

### CONTRACTOR SWINDLED.

A building contractor living at No. 14, Mau Lan Street, Yaumati, has made a report to the police that he has been swindled to the extent of \$600.

He went to a salt shop at 10 a.m. yesterday and contracted to buy \$600 worth of salt. The salt was to have been delivered to him at noon, but he was required to pay spot cash, which he did. When the salt was not delivered at the appointed time he made enquiries and discovered that the manager of the shop had absconded with his money.

Suffering from an injured eye caused by a fall, a former employed at No. 3, Pumping Station, Pokfulam Road, was yesterday taken to hospital for treatment.



## RUBBER MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATION FROM SINGAPORE.

SOME RECENT DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. are in receipt of telegraphic advices from Singapore that rubber is now quoted at 70 1/2 cents per pound.	
The following dividends have been declared, viz:—	
Jimaha 10 per cent. Interim	
Kempas 15 per cent. Interim	
Haywards 20 per cent. Final	
Sandycrofts 25 per cent. Final	
Tekuk Anson 15 per cent. Final	
Ulu Remits 12 1/2 per cent. Final	
Allenby	4.95
Alor Gajah	4.95
Amalgamated Malays	4.60
Ayer Moleks	2.90
Ayer Panas	13.60
Balgownie	4.0
Bassett	1.10
Brogas	1.55
Bukit Jelutong	1.15
Bukit Katils	1.20
Chanakut Serdangs	10.25
Chennemas	2.00
Clendines	2.85
Indragiris	14.00
Jemaha	1.95
Kedahs	2.85
Kempas	4.90
Kuala Sidims	0.50
Lunas	4.15
Malaka Pindas	4.10
Malakoff	2.75
Mandai Tekong	4.80
Mayfields	.75
Mentakabs	14.25
New Serendahs	.50
Najams	2.05
Pangrogs	1.45
Sandycrofts	3.5
Scudis	.95
Sungei Baginas	4.35
Tapahs	3.50
Fambelaks	1.50
Tekuk Anson	10.75
United Malacca	2.70
Utan Simpans	4.80
Price of Raw Rubber 70 1/2 cent. per lb.	

## AVIATORS' FEAT.

FLYING OVER SWAMP AND JUNGLE.

A PERILOUS VENTURE.

San Luis Carceps, March 17. In the course of a 3600-mile flight here from Asuncion to-day, the Marquis de Pineda and companions flew over country never before traversed.

The aviators' route lay over impassable jungles and inhospitable swamps, haunted by alligators and giant snakes. So muddy that landing was virtually out of the question.

The only inhabitants of these regions are fierce half-savage Indians. Had the aviators been obliged to make a forced landing, their position would have been very perilous as the aeroplane is not equipped with wireless.

The next destination is Manaus.

## DANGER POST.

THE SAFETY OF BRITISH IN NICARAGUA.

Rugby, March 18. Answering a question as to how many British warships were now in Nicaraguan waters, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary said that only the "Colombo" was despatched there. She left again on March 5, the British Charge d'Affaires having reported that her presence is no longer necessary, since sufficient American forces had been landed for the protection of foreign life and property.

No British subjects took refuge on the "Colombo." It was not anticipated that in present circumstances it would be necessary again to despatch any British warship to Nicaraguan waters.—British Wireless Service.

## NAVAL CONFERENCE.

New York, March 16. A message from Washington to the "New York Evening Post" says that former Secretary of State Hughes will be invited to head the American delegation at the three power naval disarmament conference at Geneva.—Reuter's American Service.

## BRIDGES STREET ROBBERY.

Another Chinese has been arrested in connection with the armed robbery at No. 21, Bridges Street on Saturday night. He was produced before Major Wilson this morning, and on the application of the police he was formally remanded until March 23 when he will be charged together with the other man now in custody.

## WARMER LATER.

E. winds, moderate; overcast at first, finer and warmer later; the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

The monsoon will moderate. A Chinese woman was admitted to hospital yesterday after taking an over-dose of eucalyptus.

## ENCOURAGING.

St. Joseph's Year's Activities.

PRIZES PRESENTED.

A year of full activities and encouraging results was the subject of review at the annual prize-distribution and speech day yesterday of St. Joseph's College, among those present being the Principal (Brother Almar), Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Mr. W. W. Hornell C. I. E. Vice-Chancellor of the Hong Kong University and the Rev. Father Spada.

The Principal in his report referred to the celebration of their Golden Jubilee by the School and to the visits of H.E. Monsignor C. Constantini, His Lordship Bishop Yaltorta, and others whose interest in the material and moral welfare of the School was an incentive to renewed efforts in the cause of Christian education.

After referring in detail to examination results and the acquisition of two laboratories, the encouraging reports of inspectors, medical and otherwise, the progress of the Chatham Road branch in Kowloon, the success of the students at games, the progress of Scout and St. John Ambulance work, the Principal said that it was the object of the schools authorities continually to bear in mind in their teaching that education was primarily a moral and mental discipline.

In conclusion, the Principal thanked the Rev. Fathers L. Raneho and A. Kwan for ministering so assiduously to the spiritual needs of the boys and congratulated Old Boys of the School on successes attained in various professions and in University examinations.

The thanks of the authorities were also due to those who had so generously contributed to the prize fund to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the Hong Kong Benevolent Society who paid the school fees of boys in poor circumstances and supplied them with books and stationery and to the Rev. Father Rignanti for the musical training the boys have received from him and the musical treat they had enjoyed that afternoon.

Mr. Hornell's Address. Mr. W. W. Hornell after presenting the prizes, said:—We have just listened to an excellent Report which, among many other merits, has the supreme virtue of being honest. I shall imitate its brevity though I can't hope to attain either to its eloquence or to its interest.

You have said Brother Almar, that as Brothers of the Christian Schools you are over mindful that education is primarily a moral and mental discipline. More than 2000 years ago Aristotle taught that the State had an end, a moral character, and that the failure to produce this fixed type of character or ethos is the failure of the State; for that ethos is the living spirit which keeps the political body healthy and united. "The greatest of all securities," Aristotle wrote, "for the permanence of constitutions is what all men now neglect, namely an education in accordance with the constitutions, for the best laws in the spirit of the State."

I suspect that you boys sometimes think that you do not get the chances in life which you would have had if you had been born, say, Englishmen in England or Americans in the United States. Very possibly you don't. I am not going to argue about that. There is no greater waste of energy than fashioning yourself because you have not got what some other fellow has, and what in your opinion, he does not deserve. The world, at this moment, is distracted by envy and covetousness. Class against class. Nation against nation. East against West. But I want to tell you that the secret of success is personality—character. This has been repeated from a thousand school platforms till it has become a fine sentiment which means little or nothing. But it is much more than a fine sentiment. We all know that personal magnetism is how it begets loyalty and command. But we speak of personal magnetism as though there were something mysterious about it—a magic quality bestowed on one in a thousand and denied to all the rest. This is not true! The essential element in personal magnetism is a consuming sincerity, an overwhelming faith in the importance of the work one has to do.

"Deadly Enemies." Most of us go through the world mentally divided against ourselves. We wonder whether we are in the right jobs, whether we are making the right friends, whether we are certain enough whether, in fact, we are doing the best for ourselves,—egoists all. And we get so distracted by anxiously debating these trivialities within ourselves that in the end we fall back on the suggestion that after all nothing is as important as it seems to be, and that too, we debate within ourselves. Our deadliest enemies are, in fact, those of our own being and creation. Instinctively, we wait for a commanding voice, for one who shall say authoritatively, "I have the truth, this way lies happiness and salvation."

I believe that the Brothers of the Christian Schools are men of sincerity and conviction. If they were not why are they here? You boys are lucky to have come under the influence of such men, and my ad-

vice to you is "Emulate the Brothers in their single mindedness and devotion; in so far as you succeed in doing this you will attain, if not to worldly triumphs, at least to that serenity without which life, however embellished by wealth or pomp, is not worth living."

In conclusion, Mr. Hornell said that the University would welcome all the boys St. Joseph's College cared to send. He wished the college "Godspeed" in everything it undertook. He did not know if St. Joseph's College was built upon a rock, but if their experience of the storm of last July was any criterion then they might well say "Storms may rise but they will not prevail against St. Joseph's College." (Applause.)

## The Prizes.

The prizes were distributed as follows:

Matriculation Honours: Trieu-Xuong (Dist. French).  
Matriculation: Passes:—Edgar Mathias (Dist. English); Alberto Rodrigues (Dist. Higher Mathematics); L. A. Silva (Dist. Trigonometry); F. V. Wong (Dist. English); Martin Itoh, George Souza, Joseph Tang Tang Sze-yiu, John N. Young, Chow Yee-cheung.  
Senior Local Passes:—Pedro Botelho, Cornelio Pereira.  
Junior Local Passes:—G. A. Anabeg (Dist. Biblical Knowledge); Paul Braga (Dist. Biblical Knowledge); R. M. Gutierrez (Dist. Biblical Knowledge); Lam Tran-chau (Dist. French); Leung Oi-chun (Dist. Chinese); Shum Ip-kwong (Dist. Chinese); Wong Shing-tsan (Dist. Chinese); E. Alves, Ramon Castro, Chan Kiu-kang, Fong Chung-lim, F. A. Gill, H. P. Goncalves, J. B. Goncalves, C. N. Gossano, J. J. Gutierrez, Lim Kim-beng, L. G. Marques, A. F. Noronha, J. A. dos Remedios, J. C. dos Remedios, J. D. dos Remedios, L. M. dos Remedios, Sung Tse-wong, Tam Heung-shing, Tam Yat-wing, Wong Che-ang, P. A. Xavier, Yan Shu-fan.

School Prize Winners.  
Senior Class: English Grammar and Composition: 1. Edgar Mathias (Senior Belilos Scholarship); 2. Trieu-Xuong; English Literature: 1. Edgar Mathias; 2. F. V. Wong; Arithmetic: 1. Trieu-Xuong; Mathematics: 1. Trieu-Xuong; 2. F. V. Wong; Physics: 1. Trieu-Xuong; Chinese: (Li Shek-pan Gold Medal); Joseph Tang Sze-yiu, French: Edgar Mathias, Higher Mathematics: A. Rodrigues, History: Trieu-Xuong, Geography: F. V. Wong, Trigonometry: L. A. Silva, Biblical Knowledge: Cornelio Pereira.

Junior "A":—English: 1. F. Gill (Junior Belilos Scholarship); 2. J. Goncalves, Arithmetic: A. Noronha, Geography: J. C. dos Remedios, English History: F. Gill, Mathematics: 1. F. Gill; 2. J. D. dos Remedios, Drawing: E. Alves, Biblical Knowledge: G. Anabeg, 2. Paul Braga; 3. Remedio Gutierrez, Book-keeping: F. Gill.  
Junior "B":—English: 1. Leung Oi-chun (Bro. Peter's Memorial Scholarship); 2. Shum Ip-kwong, Arithmetic: Fong Chung-lim, Geography: Leung Oi-chun, Mathematics: 1. Lam Tran-chau; 2. Tam Heung-shing, Drawing: Tam Heung-shing, Book-keeping: Tam Yat-wing, Biblical Knowledge: Tam Yat-wing, Physics: Lam Tran-chau, Chemistry: Leung Oi-chun, Chinese: 1. Leung Oi-chun; 2. Shum Ip-kwong; 3. Wong Shing-tsan, French: Lam Tran-chau.

Class 3A:—1. Carlos Victor (Luzard Scholarship); 2. H. Wing Lee, 3. Gusy Remedios, 4. Marcus Gutierrez, 5. Jose M. Lezama, 6. Leopoldo A. Ozerin, 7. George Gordon, 8. Eduardo Ribeiro.  
Class 3B:—1. Woe Pak-chuen (Old Boys' Scholarship); 2. H. Siew-um, 3. Leo Choa, 4. Chow Poh-yung, 5. Lam Sik-fan, 6. Lau Poh-yung, 7. Fung To, 8. Cheung Wing-yau.  
Class 3C:—1. Rowley Lam (Old Boys' Scholarship); 2. Tang She-fook, 3. M. Menthim, 4. Wong Sul-leung, 5. Fan Wong, 6. K. S. Mehal, 7. Angel Blas, 8. Husain Bux.  
Class 4A:—1. Alexander Wong, 2. Adrian Rosario, 3. Sebastian Hung, 4. Robert Brown, 5. Henrique de Sa, 6. Alberto Silva, 7. Michael Murata, 8. Eduardo Gomes.  
Class 4B:—1. Germano Ribeiro, 2. Carlos Xavier, 3. George Young, 4. Joseph Gutierrez, 5. Gustavo Ribeiro, 6. A. Hosen, 7. Chan Chak-kun, 8. Gregorio Castro.  
Class 4C:—1. Woe Pak-foo, 2. Lum Ying-nui, 3. Chow Hin-yau, 4. Matthew Law, 5. Yeung Kwan-yik, 6. Ling Cheung-kun, 7. Ling Kwok-in, 8. So Yu-nam.

Class 5A:—1. F. Rosario, 2. G. Remedios, 3. E. Figueiredo, 4. I. Johnson, 5. E. Alves, 6. Leo Yu, 7. A. Lazaroo, 8. T. Castilho.  
Class 5B:—1. Cheung Man-peng, 2. Wong Na-shing, 3. Leung Che-min, 4. Wong Chung-keung, 5. Ung Diek-sing, 6. Lee Kin-wah, 7. Wong Ho-lan, 8. Tam Moon-ih.  
Class 6A:—1. Cecil Wing Lee, 2. Leon Milian, 3. Henry J. Young, 4. Alfred Williams, 5. Armando Cordo, 6. Jackie O'Sullivan, 7. Gabriel Xavier, 8. Demetrio Xavier.  
Class 6B:—1. Ho Shin-lai, 2. Leung Yi-kai, 3. Ho Hong-kuen, 4. Wong Shing-chee, 5. Li Yok-yun, 6. Philip Chan, 7. Chin Tai-yung, 8. Peter Tam.

Class 7A:—1. J. Brewer, 2. G. Souza, 3. A. Elms, 4. G. Ozerio, 5. W. Lee, 6. L. Agabeg, 7. J. Elias, 8. E. Abbas.  
Class 7B:—Ma Wing-fat, 2. Yung Hing-chau, 3. Wong Pook-tsang, 4. Ho Kai-fai, 5. James Chow, 6. Mok Kai-lim, 7. Chow Tack-fun, 8. Ip Ying-fook.  
Class 8A:—1. James Hunt, 2. William Sprinkle, 3. Lobato de Paria, 4. K. Nishoda, 5. E. E. Malubog, 6. Abdul Slam, 7. Cyril Neves, 8. Ip Ping-hung.

Class 8B:—1. Wong Su-kong, 2. Ho Hung-chiu, 3. Pang Chi-piu, 4. Edward Ma, 5. Chan Chi-lun, 6. Cheong Ki-chiu, 7. Chan Kwok-tim, 8. Chan He-tan.  
Kowloon Branch:—Class 5:—1. Horacio Ozerio, 2. Mario Xavier, 3. Joseph de Souza, 4. Richard Laurel, 5. Alfonso Barretto.  
Class 6:—1. Frank Allum, 2. Antonio da Souza, 3. Roque de Silva, 4. Frud Abraham, 5. Guilherme Britto.  
Class 7:—1. Ricardo Xavier, 2. Henry Gutierrez, 3. Lionel Osmond, 4. Damas d'Aquino, 5. Armando Xavier, 6. Manuel Ozerio, 7. John Souza, 8. Leo Remedios.  
Class 8:—1. Carlos Soares, 2. Manlio da Souza, 3. Lionel Rodrigues, 4. Lorenzo Gabriel, 5. Joseph Gardener, 6. So Yat-wah, 7. Henry da Silva, 8. Laurence Chan.

Special Prizes.  
For Religious Knowledge:—Class 1. Pedro Rosario (His Lordship the Bishop's Prize); Class 2. F. Gill, Class 3. C. Victor, Class 4. E. Gossano, Class 5. E. Figueiredo, Class 6. C. Wing Lee, Class 7. A. Elms, Class 8. C. Neves.  
Kowloon:—Class 5. Mario Xavier (Very Rev. Fr. Spada's Prize), Horacio Ozerio, Class 6. Frank Allum, Fred Abraham, Class 7. Lionel Remedios, Ricardo Xavier, Class 8. Manlio da Souza, Lionel Rodrigues.

Pupil Entertainment.  
An entertainment by the pupils which proceeded the presentation of prizes, was much enjoyed. Introduced by a piano duet by the Rev. Father A. Rignanti and Mr. A. Andras, Masters J. Dillon and J. Roza gave a pleasing rendition of "What are the Wild Waves Saying," while a four-part chorus sang "Verses from the Song to David" set to music by the Rev. A. Rignanti.

The entertainment was concluded by an exceedingly humorous Juvenile Parliamentary Debate on "The Home Lessons Bill," in which the following pupils took part: Speaker: E. Brown, Prime Minister: E. Mathias, Government: J. Wilkinson, I. Johnson, D. Dillon, J. N. Young, E. A. Alves, K. Carroll, Opposition: E. Figueiredo, J. Dillon, I. Hing, F. Castro, and J. Staple. The Bill was defeated by eight votes to five.

## ATHLETIC PROWESS.

MR. TANG BANG-TIEN.

There was a fairly large attendance at the Theatre Royal last night when an interesting programme was given of demonstrations in athletic prowess and gymnastic abilities.

The most remarkable achievements were those of Mr. Tang Bang-tien who certainly has good grounds for his claim that he is "the strongest Chinese ever known."

The breaking of a slab of granite resting on his chest by means of a sledge hammer and the holding of two teams of men from the audience tugging at a rope tied to each arm in a vain endeavour to separate them from the folded attitude across his chest were but two of several convincing evidences he gave of his powers. Iron nails and bars bent and broke in his hands as the most pliable and brittle of substances.

There were displays from other acrobats on the parallel and horizontal bars, of balancing with the feet and hands—and even hair—which were both spectacular and required considerable nerve and abilities of no mean order.

Owing to the exigencies of space and of means of access it was impossible to get to the Theatre Royal stage the car which it was promised Mr. Tang Bang-tien would suspend with passengers in it but the entertainment provided was an excellent one and the promoters are to be congratulated on its success.

## Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

March 17—Queen's Theatre: "The Flaming Frontier."  
March 17—World Theatre: "The Lost World."  
March 17—Star Theatre: "Bride of the Storm," "Waking Up The Town."  
March 17—Musical at Helena May Institute, 6.30 p.m.  
March 17—Concert at St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road, 8.30 p.m.  
March 19—Concert and dance at City Hall, given by Morrison Hall (University Hostel), members, 8 p.m.  
March 19—The Hong Kong A.D.C. presents the brilliant comedy by Frederic Lonsdale, "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne" at the Theatre Royal, 8.15 p.m.  
March 21 & 22—Jascha Heifetz at the Queen's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.  
April 1, 2, 4, 8, 9—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," 9.30 p.m.  
April 6—Theatre Royal: "H.M.S. Pinafore," Matinee, 4.30 p.m.

Sports.  
March 26—First extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at Race Course, Happy Valley.  
March 28—Annual Athletic Sports meeting of H.K. University at Pokfulam.

Meetings.  
March 18—Annual meeting of the Society of St. George, Hong Kong, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd., 5.30 p.m.  
March 23—Fifth annual meeting of H.K. Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd., Messrs. Shawan Tomes & Co. Ltd., 11.30 a.m.  
March 23—Sixteenth annual meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., 6, Des Voeux Rd., Citi, 2.30 p.m.  
March 26—Thirty-first meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Rd., noon.

March 26—Forty-second meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.  
March 28—Fifty-eighth general meeting of H.K. Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.  
March 28—Hong Kong Automobile Assn. meeting, Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.  
March 29—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., Queen's Bldg., noon.  
March 30—Extraordinary meeting of The China Light & Power Co. (1918) Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Chater Road, 2.30 p.m.  
March 30—Thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Green Island Cement Co. Ltd., St. George's Building, 11 a.m.

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March 21—Household furniture, at 101 Austin Rd., Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.  
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March 17—Celebration of the fourth anniversary of the establishment of the H.K. Lodge, The Theosophical Society, 7, Duddell St., 6 p.m.  
March 18—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.  
March 18—Lantern lecture by Rev. J. C. Knight: "Anstey on 'Glimpses of Indian Life,' at the Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, commencing at 8 p.m. Members of H.M. Forces cordially invited.

March 20—Social gathering in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.  
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Three Chinese notifications of infectious disease were made in the Colony yesterday, all from the city. Two were of small-pox and the other of enteric fever (typhoid).

The annual dinner of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association is to be held in the College Hall at 8 p.m. on April 9. For particulars see announcement on page 8.

"In the overwhelming majority of accidents to pedestrians it is not the fault of the motorists but of the pedestrians themselves," declares the Chief Constable of Leicester, Mr. E. Holmes, in his annual report.

A very attractive programme has been arranged by St. Patrick's Club at 8.30 to-night at the Club in Garden Road, in honour of Patrick's Day (to-day). Many well known local artists are to appear in this splendid entertainment.

As a measure of precaution which would facilitate the recognition of the famous Condé diamond if ever it should be stolen again, the curator of the Chantilly Museum has caused casts to be made of it and of another famous diamond in his collection, a jewel presented to the Duc d'Angoulême by the Bey of Tunis.

The caskets containing the ashes of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Brunner, who died in tragic circumstances at Putney, S.W., last November, were interred very quietly in mail week in Lyme churchyard, near Chertsey, Surrey, alongside the grave of Sir John T. Brunner, Mr. Roscoe Brunner's father. Three family mourners were present, together with a few of the employees at Silverlands, where Sir John Brunner died, who had known Mr. Roscoe Brunner. Three wreaths without any inscription were placed on the grave. The cremation took place at Woking three months ago.

A hint given to him by a former pupil, to invest in rubber concerns is said to have laid the foundation of the fortune of the late Rev. Ernest Owen, of Boys Hall, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, who left £110,220, with net personalty £104,223. For 19 years Mr. Owen was headmaster of Llandaff Cathedral School, and was very popular. One of the pupils, on leaving, became associated with the rubber industry, and wrote from the Malay Peninsula advising Mr. Owen to invest his savings in the industry. Mr. Owen did so with great success, and afterwards purchased and conducted profitably a private school in Derbyshire. He died last October aged 70.

The Earl of Devon, whose death took place at Powderham Castle, near Exeter, was in his 57th year. He was out walking with one of his dogs, was taken ill during the night, and died almost immediately from heart failure. He succeeded to the earldom on the death of his grandfather in 1904. He was unmarried and is succeeded by his brother, the Rev. Henry Hugh Courtenay, rector of Powderham. The late earl was a man of simple tastes. He took little or no interest in public affairs, but he was a great sportsman and showed much hospitality at Powderham Castle whenever spaniel trials or coursing took place.

Miss Ishbel MacDonald, who learned the art of being a political hostess during her father's occupancy of No. 10 Downing Street, was among the long list of hostesses having reception early last month. She and Mr. Ramay MacDonald, gave a big "At Home" on the eve of the opening of Parliament at their charming old-world home, Upper Farnham, Hampshire. On this occasion Mr. MacDonald's library, which is the blue drawing-room, was brought into service as a reception room. Miss MacDonald will be 24 this month, and has quite outgrown the shyness of her early reign at No. 10. Her sister Joan is now 17, and in a position to help as assistant hostess.

Imitating the tactics employed by Sir James Barrie many years ago when he impersonated his own valet in denying his whereabouts to American reporters, Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, successfully eluded all newspaper interviewers when he went on a visit to Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, at Washington. A reporter there thought he saw the governor of the Bank of England leaving Mr. Mellon's office. He verified his impressions and hurried after the secretive banker, who has an unquenchable dislike of publicity. Mr. Norman increased his pace, but the reporter doubled round another way and the two met face to face. After some embarrassing conversation, in which Mr. Norman evaded questions as to his identity, the newspaper representative simply suggested, "Perhaps you can tell me, nevertheless, whether Mr. Norman's visit may have something to do with the possible restoration of the gold credit given to Britain, which has expired." The banker replied, "No, I'm sure his visit was entirely a personal one."

Reminder: annual meeting of St. George's Society in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. at 5.30 p.m. to-morrow.

Household furniture will be auctioned by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at No. 101, Austin Road, Kowloon at 2.45 p.m. next Wednesday.

A social gathering will be held in the St. John's Cathedral Hall, this Sunday, after Evensong (6 p.m.). A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service Men and others. There will be music and light refreshments.

An Organ Recital will be given in St. John's Cathedral by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L., assisted by Mr. C. D. Lake, (Tenor), on Friday, March 18, at 5.45 p.m. There will also be a Recital on the following Friday, March 25, at the same hour. Advt. To-morrow's programme is given on page 61.



Mrs. Henry Ford, wife of the millionaire motor car manufacturer.

The Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey is giving a lecture on "Glimpses of Indian Life" at the Wesleyan Soldiers' and Sailors Home, Wanchai, at 8 p.m. to-morrow.

Mr. Loewenstein, the financier, has decided to sell his two private aeroplanes, one of which, a three-motored limousine, is considered to be the most luxurious of its type in the world. His reason is understood to be that he has completed the high-speed negotiations in which they were employed.

The Governor-General of Australia, Lord Stonehaven, with his son Ian, has walked 50-miles from St. Clair to Gormanston, in Tasmania. The track lies through rough, broken, lonely country, and in places is overgrown with tangled bush. Sir John Franklin, an early Tasmanian Governor, traversed Lord Stonehaven's route in state, carried on chairs by convicts and accompanied by Lady Franklin.

A remarkable incident is reported to have occurred at a Japanese cotton mill in Baikal Road, Shanghai on Wednesday night last, when a Chinese is alleged to have gone to the main door of the mill, pushed it open, and fired a revolver shot inside. He then made a hasty exit, and was not caught. Fortunately the bullet failed to find a living billet.

What is described as "the greatest musical find of the century" has been made by the Superintendent of Piedmontese Bibliography at Turin, who, invited to inspect a room full of books and manuscripts, discovered an enormous quantity of 18th Century masterpieces and minor works, including 43 operas. The publications are of the greatest variety and include many works which have passed completely out of sight, including editions of Gluck, Philidor and Rameau.

The study of industrial conditions in England is now being included in the training of boys at Harrow School. The boys' interest is encouraged by visits to large factories during school hours. The factories chosen include a coach works, a motor-car works, and a bread factory. Visits will also be paid to an employment exchange and to the Charity Organisation Society. Dr. Cyril Norwood, the headmaster, said to a reporter: "I think that it is most important that the boys should know under what conditions work is being done and the conditions of a worker's life. It is not necessarily because the public school boy will himself go into industry, but it is part of his general training."

# SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The Prince of Wales at Aldershot, recently inspected the Welsh Guards, of whom he is colonel, afterwards motoring back to London.

It is authoritatively stated that Lord Birkenhead, who, it was reported, intended visiting India during the next cold season, will not make the journey this year.

Deaths announced at Home in mail week include: Lieut.-Colonel John Samuel Dyke, formerly commandant of the Duke of York's Military School, Dover, a member of Folkestone Town Council, aged 67; suddenly at Folkestone; Divisional Detective-Inspector Hunt, of Exeter, who was in charge of the inquiry into the Baywater murder; from double pneumonia, following influenza; and Mr. George Reid, Belgian Consul in Newcastle for nearly 63 years; believed to be the oldest consul in the United Kingdom; identified with the coal trade; aged 89; at Newcastle.

A Reuter cable from Florence announces the death of Prince Scipione Borghese, the first man to cross Asia in a motorcar from Peking to Paris in 1908.

Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, has been taken from 17, Bruton-street to Buckingham Palace. It is understood that Prince George has transferred his quarters to the apartments formerly occupied by the Duke of York, and the rooms thus available will be used for the purposes of a nursery.

A report from Hankow states that the engagement is announced of Mr. T. V. Soong (Sung Tse-man), Minister of Finance of the National Government, to Miss Laura Chang, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Chang of Kukiang. Miss Chang was educated at the Eliza Yates Memorial School of Shanghai. The marriage will take place this spring.

The death took place at Sandbanks, Dorset, of Sir James Kennal, managing director of Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox, Ltd., with which engineering firm he had been associated for more than 40 years. He was also a pioneer in the development of electrical power. He was a director of a number of companies, and a member of various engineering societies. He was a layman of the Shipwrights' Company and a Freeman of the City of London. The various factories controlled by Sir James employed about 10,000 workers.

Sir James Roll, Lord Mayor of London during 1920-1921, died in mail week at his home, the Chestnuts, Cambridge Park, Wanstead, E., in his 81st year. As a poor farm-boy labouring in Norfolk fields, James Roll had dreams of rising in the world, and he determined to make them come true. He was only 14, but had saved enough to pay the boat-fare from Great Yarmouth, and so, having home to seek his fortune in London. An uncle met him at London Bridge, and presently young James became an office-boy in the service of the Pearl Life Assurance Company. He rose to a clerkship and within a few years was a superintendent and was opening branches for the company in the north of England. At last he became chairman of the company, and after 55 years' service he retired in 1916. By 1909 he had been elected a Sheriff of the City of London, and was created a baronet in 1921.



Mr. Stephen G. Porter of Pennsylvania, Chairman of the American House Foreign Affairs Committee, who recently introduced a resolution asking for the cancellation of existing treaties with China, and the drawing up of new ones by the President, and recognition of "China" as a sovereign nation.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## NEW SYSTEM.

## COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP CRICKET.

## M.C.C. GIVES APPROVAL.

London, March 16. The Marylebone Cricket Club committee has confirmed the new system of scoring (announced on Feb. 21) as effective for the forthcoming County Cricket season.—*Reuter*.

The Advisory County Cricket Committee at Lord's decided to recommend to the Marylebone Club the following system of points for county championship matches 1927:—

Eight points for a win in a completed match.  
Should a match not be completed, five points to the side leading on the first innings and three to their opponents.

In the event of a tie or there being no result on the first innings, four points to be given to each side, provided in the second case not less than six hours' actual play has taken place.

When of less than six hours, a match is not to count in the championship, provided no result in it has been obtained.

Scoring by percentage as previously.

## Other Ideas.

That there were other ideas is evident in the following message which has just reached the "China Mail":—

With the object of removing the anomaly in the present system of reckoning points in the county cricket championship, a new scheme was to have been played before the Derbyshire County Cricket Club in midweek. The scheme provides that three points be awarded for a win in a completed match and one point out of a possible one to first-innings leaders in an uncompleted match, the scoring to be reckoned on point percentage as points obtainable.

In the event of a tie in a completed match, three points to be shared equally, and in the event of a tie on the first innings each side to take half a point. Matches in which there has been no result on the first innings are not to be included. It is claimed that by this system clubs winning on the first innings cannot be prejudiced.

New Zealand Team For England. Wellington.—The following fourteen players have been selected for the New Zealand cricket team to tour in England during the forthcoming season:—

Allcock, Duggan, and Mills (Auckland); Dempster (Wanganui); Lowry (Hawke's Bay); Blunt (Otago); Page, Cunningham, Oliver, and Merritt (Canterbury); James, McGirr, Ballock, and Henderson (Wellington).

The inclusion of the 18-year-old colt, Merritt, who was selected at the eleventh hour, came as a surprise. He is a left-hand bowler who varies his deliveries, with a well-disguised "wrong 'un" and an occasional straight ball.

## TENNIS TOUR.

## BRITISH LADIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

## LOSE BEST OF 3 TESTS.

Johannesburg, March 16. The South African ladies won the rubber of three "tests" against the touring team of British ladies captained by Miss Harvey.

The British ladies were defeated at Cape Town on Jan. 29 by 5 matches to 4; were defeated today by 6 matches to 3; and they won the other match.—*Reuter*.

Victory at Kimberley. Kimberley, Feb. 23. In the British ladies' tennis team's match against Griqualand West, Miss Billie Tapscott beat Miss Fry, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

It was a brilliant and hard-fought game.

Mrs. Watson beat Miss Rogers, Griqualand West and Natal Champion, 6-4, 6-1.

Miss Fry and Miss Saunders beat Mrs. Leckie and Miss E. Tapscott, 6-3, 6-1.

Mrs. Watson and Miss Dix beat Mrs. Dickens and Miss Tyson, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

Miss Harvey and Miss Saunders beat Miss Rogers and Miss Billie Tapscott, 6-4, 6-1.

The British ladies' team won by 4 matches to 1.

## DAVIS CUP.

New York, March 16. The list of participants in the Davis Cup has closed, with twenty-five, equalling the record of two years ago. Twenty will play in the European zone and four in the American zone.—*Reuter's American Service*.

The match arranged between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and 52nd Punjab for played yesterday did not take place owing to the wet state of the ground.

## HOME SOCCER.

## SEMI-FINAL, SCOTTISH CUP DRAW.

## CLUBS AND VENUES.

London, March 16. The draw was made to-day for the semi-final of the Scottish F.A. Cup (to be played on March 26) and resulted as follows:—  
East Fife v. Partick Thistle (the ground of Hearts of Midlothian).  
Falkirk v. Celtic at Ibrox Park, Glasgow (the ground of Rangers).  
—*Reuter*.

[Celtic (holders) and Partick are both Glasgow teams.]

## IN THE LEAGUE.

## Mid-Week Games in Four Divisions.

London, March 16. Mid-week games were played in four divisions of the various leagues. Results (home teams given first) were as follow:—

English League.  
Division I: Cardiff 2, Derby 0.  
Division II: Chelsea 2, Port Vale 0; Middlesbrough 5, South Shields 0; Notts County 2, Reading 0.

Division III (South): Crystal Palace 9, Bristol Rovers 4; Bournemouth 3, Brentford 1.

Scottish League.

Division I: Rangers 2, Morton 1.  
Celtic 2, Airdrieonians 1; Dundee 2, Falkirk 3.

—*Reuter*.

## HOME RUGGER.

## SOUTH WALES BORDERERS WIN FINAL.

## GUY'S HOSPITAL CUP.

London, March 16. In the final of the Army rugby Cup to-day at Aldershot, the 1st Bantam, South Wales Borderers defeated the Royal Engineers (Aldershot) by the narrowest margin of 9 points to 8.—*Reuter*.

London, March 16. The final of the Hospitals rugby Cup was played to-day at Richmond, where Guy's beat King's by 10 points to nil.—*Reuter*.

## TEST TEAM WINS.

## MATCH WITH THE REST OF AUSTRALIA.

Sydney, Feb. 2. Continuing their record, the Test XI, the Rest of Australia advanced their overnight total of 146 for 2 wickets to 344, leaving their opponents only 117 to get for victory.

O'Connor contributed 101 and Morgan 73, Malley claiming six victims for 99 runs.  
Australia lost three batsmen before passing the Rest's score. Ryder was undefeated at the close of play with 55.

The final scores were:—  
Rest of Australia (1st) 306 runs; (2nd) 344 runs.  
1926 Test XI (1st) 533 runs; (2nd) 117 for 8 wks.

## LAWN TENNIS.

## PROMISING ENGLISH BOYS AT NICE.

Nice. With the sun shining brightly the play in the annual international lawn tennis tournament at Nice improved, and the matches became more interesting. But what attracts me (writes Mr. S. N. Doust) as much as the good matches is trying to find young players who, if they take up the game seriously, should succeed.

In the present Nice tournament there are some really promising male youngsters, but apart from Miss Nuthall and Miss Bennett, I have not discovered any talent among the young women.

## HAPPY VALLEY GOLF.

With a score of 87 (minus handicap 13) 74 net, J. Laing, qualified in the Adamson Cup March competition (held on the 5th to 15th) of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club at Happy Valley.

Other scores were F. H. Glover 96 (18) 78, F. E. Booker 92 (10) 82, E. Hanlon 108 (24) 84.

## CEYLON BOXER AT OXFORD.

London, Feb. 25. Oxford representatives in the Inter-Varsity boxing tournament, to be held at Oxford, on March 4, include C. B. Satri (bantam-weight) and C. J. de Sarap, formerly of St. Thomas' College, Ceylon, who is a feather-weight.

## SERVICES SOCCER.

## 9 GOALS IN SECOND HALVES.

## FIRST A BLANK.

A sloppy ground and a greasy ball may be blamed for the unusual procedure yesterday in the finals of the local United Services knock-out soccer competition.

Both first halves were blank. After the change of ends, nine goals were put on.

Of this total, the Royal Artillery claimed four. They lost in the junior tie by 1-3 to H.M.S. "Tamar" and they got the better of the 2nd Batt., King's Own Scottish Borderers by the odd goal in five.

Bad Shooting. After the matches, H.E. the G.O.C. (Major-General C. C. Luard) presented the shield to the R.A. (senior winners) and the cup to the junior champions "Tamar".

Each member of the winning teams received a silver medal. Proceedings terminated with the usual cheers for the General, Mrs. and Miss Luard. A good many of the officers of the respective units were present to see their representatives play.

Bad shooting was responsible for the goal remaining intact in the first half of the junior final. In the second half, Vernon scored twice for H.M.S. "Tamar" and Toms added the third. When the sailors were exercising the better control of the game, the R.A. reserves got their solitary goal through Milner.

Bill Not "True."

With a ball that never played "true," the defenders had an anxious time in the senior final, which was also at Sookmoo. A little "jost" and erratic marksmanship did their bit but in the second half, the 2nd Scottish Borderers drew first blood through Stock.

Thanks to Leach (their star centre-forward) Pinfold, equalised for the Gunners. A pass from Ward enabled the same scorer to put the R.A. ahead. Then Ward himself brought the score to 3-1. Back came the Infantrymen and the Rev. P. P. W. Alexander reduced the deficit but the Artillerymen held their fort till the end.

"Hermes" Double.

H.M.S. "Hermes" secured a double in friendly soccer yesterday. The Royal Air Force detachment on that ship beat their colleagues on H.M.S. "Argus" by 7 goals to 2 and the losers led by 2-1 till nearly half-time. Crossing over a goal down (1-2), the "Hermes" team made rapid attack on the "Argus" goal, but the custodian (Tansley) dealt successfully with each sortie.

Towards the end, the "Argus" defence tired. After several weeks at sea, the few days they had been here were not enough for them to get fit in. Well did the "Hermes" run them off their legs then. Six goals were scored in ten minutes, and the "Hermes" won by 7-2 after having been behind for about an hour.

Seamen of the "Hermes" yesterday beat St. Joseph's College Reserve by the odd goal in three. The losers tied with the Moslem Club in division II, section "A" of the Hong Kong League (the play-off being arranged for Saturday). Marous scored first for the College but Gaiside and Warren replied for the sailors.

## BASKET BALL.

## WHEN LEAGUE SEASON STARTS.

The senior and the junior students league of the Hong Kong Basketball Association will have their opening games to-morrow and on Saturday at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. where all games will be played.

There will be two senior games a day, one beginning at 4.30 and the other at 6.15 p.m. The junior games will be played on Wednesday and Saturday, one at 2.30 and the other at 3.15 p.m.

Senior entries are Ying Wa College "A" and "B," Y.M.C.A. Student Hostel, Queen's College, University "A" and "B," St. Joseph's College, St. Paul's College, and Tutorial Institute.

Junior teams are: Ying Wa College, Queen's College, Wanchai School, St. Joseph's College, St. Paul's College, Ellis Kadoorie School, Y.M.C.A. Day School, and Y.M.C.A. Hostel.

The officers of the Hong Kong Basketball Association are: Mr. J. L. McPherson, president; Mr. E. G. Stewart, vice-president; Mr. T. Moffatt, hon. treasurer; Mr. K. Sik-wai, hon. general secretary; Mr. Richard Shim, hon. secretary senior league; and Mr. S. O. Leung, hon. secretary junior league.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The wet state of the ground yesterday prevented play in the Hong Kong C.C. annual tennis tournament. To-day's fixtures are:—

Open Singles—H. D. Rumjahn v. H. Akiyama; Lau Man-kwong v. T. Edo.

Open Doubles—H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Garsard v. M. K. Lo and H. Lo; S. M. Garsard and S. H. Hui v. N. Trambitzky and J. W. Leonard.

Handicap Singles—"A"—R. M. Henderson (cwe 2/6) v. T. D. E. Pendered (rec 4/6).

Handicap Doubles—W. H. Coulson and T. W. Southam (rec 4/6) v. E. E. Mimmack and J. N. Owen (rec 1/6).

## K.R.A. MEETING.

## COMMITTEE OF RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was held on Monday at which sub-committees to deal with correspondence, children's playgrounds and bathing facilities were elected.

Correspondence with the Government regarding a suitable site in Kowloon for the burial of Chinese Roman Catholics was discussed and it was decided to request the Government to set aside a large area for this purpose.

Replies from Government in the matter of the abandoned Kowloon Dispensary and the law governing the admission of patients to the Lunatic Asylum were also considered.

Petition From Residents. A petition from residents in Station Lane, Hung Hom, relative to the insanitary condition of a temporary latrine in the neighbourhood, was referred back to the sanitary committee with a request that their complaint be first addressed to the Sanitary Board.

Other subjects under discussion were motor bus stopping places and traffic control; the question of holding quarterly meetings of the Association, and suggestions for the entertainment of troops in the locality.

New Members. The Hon. Treasurer reported that the following residents had joined the Association:—Messrs. E. E. Akat, A. L. Alves, J. C. Brown, J. H. Donnanthorne, Jas. T. Dobbie, H. Goldenberg, J. Gibson, R. J. Goodman, D. Gow, Rev. H. Gies, J. H. Hunt, Huang Hon-cho, H. D. Iffa, C. W. Liddon-Cole, K. R. Macaskill, A. J. O'Donoghue, J. de Graça Ozeiro, J. J. dos Remedios, Edward D. Shank, H. R. Scott, C. E. M. Terry, F. Taylor, W. G. Williams, W. J. Woolley, B. J. Wong, W. R. Wong, I. M. Xavier, Yuen Wah-sui and Frank Goodwin.

## THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT.

A Chinese constable charged with stealing a \$100 note from a Swatow fish-dealer was given the benefit of the doubt by Major Willson yesterday.

The fishmonger alleged that as he was going to the Western Market to buy fish at 8.30 on the morning of March 10, the constable who was on search duty searched him in a dark lane, and took a purse containing one \$100 note and four \$1 notes. Accused retained the \$100 and returned the other money to him.

Mr. Turner, for the defence, argued that his client had been wrongly identified as he was in the company of an Indian sergeant from 3.40 to 3.45 on that morning.

The Indian corroborated this, and after Mr. Wodehouse had pointed out, in fairness to the accused, that he was not the only man on search duty in the vicinity, the Magistrate, as stated, gave accused the benefit of the doubt and discharged him.

## TELL TALE TROUSERS.

"You ought to be a detective," Mr. Lindsay told a Weihaiwei policeman this morning. The constable was giving evidence of arrest of a Chinese charged with the theft of a pair of trousers, and said he suspected the man because the trousers were too short for the accused who was a tall man.

The arrest took place in Sanwai village, Aberdeen, yesterday, and another villager claimed the trousers as his.

The accused who said he had taken the trousers by mistake and was on his way to pawn them when arrested was fined \$10 or in default 14 days' hard labour.

## BANK MESS THEFT.

Clothing worth \$34 has been reported stolen from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Mess.

An overcoat worth \$165 was stolen from Mr. Tolan's house, No. 11, Cameron Road yesterday.

## WORLD THEATRE.

## "THE LOST WORLD" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

The pictorialization of Conan Doyle's great novel needs little praiseworthy elaboration. As a matter of fact, the transference of the story from the pages of fiction to the celluloid medium, called for the best work of both technicians and photographers. That the actual matter has been faithfully rendered, reflects the greatest credit upon all concerned.

Wallace Berry is the explorer who confounds the set beliefs of Societies in the matter of evolution and prehistoric mammals, the which he says, still exist on a plateau in Central America.

To back his theories, he sets out, accompanied by certain others who will verify his facts; if they are able to reach civilisation again. They do, bringing with them a monstrous beast, which walks over the Bank of England, the Royal Exchange and London city generally.

There are fights between prehistoric beasts which defy the sneaking efforts of the keenest "picks," and the whole production is first class in all ways.

Among featured players, are Beagle Love, Lewis, Stone, Lloyd Hughes and Bull Montana. This picture should not be missed, by those who failed to see it at the Queen's Theatre at the first screening.

## TREVOR CASE.

## HEARING TO RE-CONSIDER SENTENCE.

This afternoon, Major Willson re-opened the case in which Ernest Trevor was convicted of theft at the Glenalee Hotel.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for prisoner and said that he would like right away to tell the Court that on the evidence as given the Magistrate had no option but to convict but he asked that the sentence should be re-considered.

Mr. Russ added that he had interviewed Trevor at the jail and was impressed by him and offered to put him in the witness box.

Major Willson agreed to this course.

The case is proceeding.

## BACK WITHIN SIX DAYS.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Major Willson with having returned from banishment. Sgt. Vincent said the man was sent away after serving two terms of imprisonment. He actually left here on March 10 and was back in the Colony within six days.

## AT THE QUEEN'S.

## "THE FLAMING FRONTIER" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

"The Flaming Frontier" is a picture play that in addition to commemorating a great event in American history abounds in excellent acting in a story featured with a pretty romance, genuine comedy and situations that are as tremendous and thrilling as they are unusual.

The story is of the period of the early seventies and has for its theme the winning of the West and the hardships and trials that beset the settlers of those days. It faithfully depicts the resentment of the Indians, the political intrigues at Washington and climaxes in a thrilling and spectacular reproduction of the Custer massacre. One of its very powerful touches are the scenes showing life at West Point in the period.

The star cast given this picture is one of the most evenly balanced that has been seen for some time. Edward Sawick has made it a truly great American picture. Hoot Gibson, Universal's famous Western "ace," is cast in a most congenial role. Gibson is an army scout, and as such does some of his remarkable feats in the saddle. The picture also allows Gibson to show his versatility as, for a time, it takes him away from his horse and sets him down as a cadet at West Point.

Dustin Farnum is cast in the heroic role of Gen. Custer and acquires himself with the ease and ability that has always marked his work on the stage and screen. Dainty Anne Cornwall, as the heroine, again shows that she is a great actress. Ward Crane is the "heavy" and, as usual, is smoothness personified. Kathleen Key makes an alluring vamp, though the vamp redeems herself at the end of the picture. Eddie Gribbon and Harry Todd provide much a laugh by their clever comedy work.

Others in this great cast are Har-Charles K. French, Noble Johnson, Harold Goodwin, George Fawcett, William Steele, Walter Rogers, Ed. Wilson, and Joe Bonomo.

## AT THE STAR.

## "BRIDE OF THE STORM" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

In conformity with the recent tendency among motion picture directors to base scenarios on the story implied by songs of great popularity, J. Stuart Blackton's production for Warner Bros., "Bride of the Storm," starring Dolores Costello and featuring John Harron, might well have retained the title, "Maryland, My Maryland."

Its appropriateness lies in the entertaining situation of a boy and girl, speaking different languages and in love, with no one as interpreter. Truly, in such a case every little movement would have a meaning of its own, the parties to the courtship having only signs and motions as a means of communication.

Ernest Lubitsch's production for Warner Bros. of "Kiss Me Again" is one of the outstanding examples of a splendid picture built around the sentiment of a song which has touched the heart of humanity deeply.

Besides Miss Costello and Mr. Harron, the cast of "Bride of the Storm" contains such distinguished names as Otto Mattieson, Tyrone Power, Sheldon Lewis, Julia Swayze, Gordon and Evon Pelletier.

"Waking Up The Town." According to critics, this is the best picture Jack Pickford has ever appeared in.

The novelty of this feature, along with its natural comedy and tremendous human appeal, gives it a unique place among photoplay offerings. As a boarding-school flapper who settles down into the staid ways of a sedate and appealing small town girl, Norma Shearer gives an excellent performance. Other notable players are Alec B. Francis who as an eccentric astronomer starts the hero on the road to fame and fortune; Claire McDowell, who plays the part of the hero's mother; and Ann May, a delightful little lady bent on winning the hero. Riddle Rider Episode 1 will also be shown.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 17, 1927, 10.30 AM.

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T.T. on London .....	17 1/8	11 3/4	17 1/8
T.T. on Shanghai .....	10 1/4	8 1/4	10 1/4
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank .....	105 1/2 b & s	108 0 b	108 0 b
do. London .....	21 1/4 n	21 n	21 1/4 n
Chartered Bank .....	21 n	21 n	21 n
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. do. .....	21 1/2 n	21 3/4 n	21 n
P. & O. Bank .....	24 1/2 b	21 0 n	21 0 n
Bank of East Asia .....	74 n	67 b	71
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance .....	\$66 1/2 b	66 0 b	\$66 0 b
China Underwriters .....	80 1/2 b	80 1/2 b	80 1/2 b
North China Insurance .....	114 1/2 n	140 n	114 1/2 n
Union Insurance .....	28 1/2 b	28 1/2 b	28 1/2 b
Yangtze Insurance .....	\$35 m. n	49 n	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance .....	205 b	209 b	205 b
H.K. Fire Insurance .....	63 0 b	61 1/2 b	63 0 b
Shipping.			
Douglases .....	31 1/2 n	31 b	31 n
Hongkong Steamboats .....	21 n	19 1/2 b	19 1/2 b
H.K. Tugs & Lighters .....	1.10 n	2 1/4 n	1 1/4 n
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	30 n	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.) .....	40 b	40 n	40 n
Shell Transports .....	99 1/2 b	5 1/2 b	100 n
Star Ferries .....	54 b	54 1/2 b	54 b
Water-boats .....	14 n	13 1/4 b	14 s
Refineries.			
China Sugars .....	22 s	17 1/2 s	18 s
Malayan Sugars .....	31 n	30 n	31 s
Mining.			
Benguet .....	1.35 b	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad. .....	38 1/2 n	42 0 n	40 1/2 n
Langkats (Combined) .....	22 n	22 b	22 b
do. (Single) .....	11 n	12 b	11 n
Shanghai Exploration .....	7 n	4 b	—
Shanghai Loan .....	4 s	3 40 n	3 1/2 n
Raub .....	21 1/2 b	—	—
Tromch Mines .....	8 1/2 n	2 1/2 b	—
Ural Caspians .....	—	—	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves .....	99 b 102 sa	99 b & sa	99 s
H.K. & W. Docks .....	40 n	37 b 39 s	40 n
Hongkows .....	150 n	150 b	150 b
New Engineering .....	11 1/2 b	5 1/2 b	5 1/2 b
Shanghai Docks .....	1102 b	102 1/2 b	102 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels .....	7 40 s	7 1/4 s	7 1/4 s



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## THE WORLD OF BOOKS

## "CHINA JOURNAL"

SPECIAL RUBBER INDUSTRY  
ISSUE.

In devoting considerable space to the subjects of rubber and the rubber producing industry in the East, "The China Journal" is making a new departure in its endeavour to cover various phases of human interest in regard to China. Shanghai may be called the London of the East, since this city is undoubtedly the greatest commercial centre on the continent, and it is this fact that accounts for its being the financial headquarters of 40 rubber producing companies whose plantations are situated in the Malay Peninsula. Undoubtedly a large proportion of the readers of this attractive journal are interested in the subject of rubber, so that the present issue (March) should have a wide appeal.

No fewer than four articles bear directly or indirectly upon the subject of rubber. Of these one is by Mr. H. C. Pinching, late Senior Scientific Officer of the Rubber Growers' Association, now Technical Adviser to rubber estates in Penang and Ipoh, who recently paid a visit to Shanghai, where he delivered an extremely interesting lecture before a crowded audience on rubber growing in the Malay Peninsula. Illustrated with lantern slides.

Mr. A. de C. Sowerby, editor of the journal, contributes the other three, one of which is entitled "The Romance of Rubber," another "The Malay Peninsula and Archipelago, the World's Chief Rubber Producing Area," and the third "The Para Rubber Tree."

Besides these informative articles there are several interesting paragraphs in the "Scientific Notes" section upon various phases of the rubber growing industry.

Other Features.  
The reader must not assume, however, that because so much space is devoted to rubber that other sections of the journal have been neglected. On the contrary, there are the usual papers of sino-logical interest, poetry, some interesting correspondence, and editorial comments. In the last, Dr. J. C. Ferguson gives an obituary of the famous German sinologist, the late Dr. Friedrich Hirth.

An extremely interesting and thought-provoking article by Dr. James Lincoln McCartney is entitled "Psycho-Analysis and Chinese Characters." In it the author shows that there is an extraordinary similarity between modern thought forms and those of the earliest Chinese when their pictographic script was in the process of creation. These thought-forms are revealed in the present day Chinese characters, in which the simpler hieroglyphs for certain objects are combined in such a way as to represent abstract ideas, as for instance, man plus dog to cringe. He points out that many of these associations of ideas are identical with those found in modern psycho-analysis. A large number of examples are given.

Anglers will find an unusually good picture of China's largest fresh-water sporting fish, the so-called Huang Chuan of Gan yu; while dog-lovers will be interested in a note in the "Kennel" section on the dog in China. Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, contributor, another of his fascinating articles on birds seen in the vicinity of Shanghai.

## A TRAVEL DIARY.

"Travel," says Miss Sackville-West, "is the most private of pleasures." She explains her objection to the travelling bore, to the traveller's letters which are vivid only to the writers, but unsatisfying to the readers. She avers that it is of no interest to one traveller to hear what happened to another in Hong Kong or Kalamazoo. Therefore Miss Sackville-West has forborne to write of her experiences in letters, or, presumably, to talk about them. She has jotted them all down in a diary—a very carefully-written diary, which has now been published for the world to read. There does seem to be something contradictory in this fact, after the author's own stated beliefs of the philosophy of travel. However, the book is a good one, full of observation which often achieves the poetic touch. It is illustrated with photographs.

("A Passenger to Teheran," by V. Sackville-West. Hogarth Press.)

## AFRAID OF THE DARK

RITUAL & BELIEF IN  
MOSCOW.

Moors, like the old-fashioned children of the pre-Boy Scout era, are afraid of the dark. At Marrakesh, a town in Morocco, there lived a man who had a house of his own. However, it was of little use to him, for every evening he moved out and slept under the stars. Mr. Edward Westermarck found that the reason for this strange behaviour was that the poor householder was afraid of jinn. This fear prevents many Moors from sleeping alone in a room, and to sleep in a Moorish staircase would be an unheard-of folly. Anybody who has tried to sleep on a staircase is permitted to agree with the Moors in this. Mr. Westermarck's two-volume treatise on the customs of Morocco is a ponderous and minutely-detailed work for students. Each volume has over 500 pages, and every page is full of learning. There are, however, many amusing notes and stories to relieve any dullness, though these take some finding.

("Ritual and Belief in Morocco" (two volumes), by Edward Westermarck; Macmillan.)

## ODD NOTES.

Several of our leading novelists have within recent years written novels, or a series of novels, which give a study of families over several generations. Mr. John Galsworthy's "Forsyte Saga" and Mr. Arnold Bennett's "Fives" towns novels are, perhaps, the most striking instances. Mr. Compton Mackenzie has recently finished for Cassell a story which is a psychological study of a family through successive generations. It is entitled "Rogues and Vagabonds," a title suggested, perhaps, by the fact that it has a theatrical element. The ultimate heroine is Letizia, who becomes a comedy star and marries a peer.

A book from Constable will be the "Letters of George Gissing," the novelist, to "members of his family." They cover the period from 1863 to Gissing's death in 1903, and during the later years they are supplemented by many extracts from his diary and journals. We are told that the book is, in effect, a history of Gissing's thoughts and of the influence of travel upon his sensitive mind, rather than a record of mere events. "It contains," we are also told, "many passages of great beauty, and the letters are lit by flashes of insight expressed in a way that will be remembered."

When Dr. Howard Carter discovered the tomb of Tut-ankh-Amon, which is the spelling he uses, he sat down, in response to public curiosity and quickly wrote a book about it all. He has, since then, spent most of his time examining the tomb and its relics, but he has found opportunity to write another volume on the subject, and it is announced by Cassell. It describes the opening of the actual burial chamber of the boy Pharaoh, and tells all about the treasures which kept him company during his sleep of 3,000 years. Dr. Carter's narrative is supplemented by reports written by other distinguished Egyptologists.

Mr. Donald Maxwell is becoming a notable artist-author, for one of his Winter books has been "The New Lights of London," which he both illustrates and writes. He has two more books, done in the same way, which will appear in the Spring. One entitled "The Enchanted Road," is a wander through Kent, with pictures, prose impressions, and snatches of original poetry—this from Methuen. The other, entitled "Unknown Dorset," is a series of "unmethodical explorations" of a county, which Thomas Hardy has made famous. Mr. Maxwell always looks for something that others have missed, as in three chapters "The Island that Wasn't," "The Haunted Bay," and "Sea, Forgotten Walls."

Mr. Fisher Unwin has always looked for first novels of quality, and, indeed, he established a First

## MACAO.

USEFUL YEAR BOOK  
ISSUED.

Macao continues her bid for attention and the Year Book for 1927 from Macao is quite in keeping with the recent excellent publicity matter that has recently emanated from the Portuguese Colony. The Portuguese are waking up to the value of the printed word, and not only is the latest year book superior in execution of workmanship to any previous production of its kind but in matter and importance it outweighs anything hitherto published at Macao.

The work will be of greatest interest to the Portuguese as the matter is almost entirely in that language, but there is a small English section containing four articles translated from original contributions in Portuguese stressing the needs of the new Port of Macao and of the commercial activities of the place. The Chinese section is very much larger and runs to over a hundred pages, comprising contributions from a number of very prominent Chinese writers resident at Macao.

The Portuguese section is, moreover, brimful of matters of interest to the Portuguese, especially as regards commercial and industrial activities and laws. The laws and regulations under which merchants must operate at Macao are very fully set forth, so that for the first time matter of commercial value has been assembled for easy reference, and this facility to merchants contemplating the establishment of businesses at Macao must not be lost sight of.

Another feature is the excellent printing of the book, and the authorities at Macao are to be congratulated on the efficiency of their printing establishment which is able to turn out such very excellent letterpress work. The illustrations, too, are well printed and form a representative collection of some of the most interesting scenes and places of interest in the Portuguese colony. The schools in particular are pictured as is seldom done even in much larger centres than Little Macao.

## FRANCE TO-DAY.

A great admirer of France, and one of the few who can really claim to understand her, is Mr. Sisley Huddleston. His latest work is a compendious historical review of modern France, political, social, financial, and economic. He explains all France's greatness in the light of past history; but it is in the study of "les jeunes," the young people who hold the future of the country in their hands, that the author writes most interestingly. He sees the folly of the Dadaistes, the eccentricities of Art and thought, but he sees also that these young folks are losing ground. Young France, generally, is working hard, studying carefully, and trying to achieve things that will last beyond the present generation. This is a healthy sign.

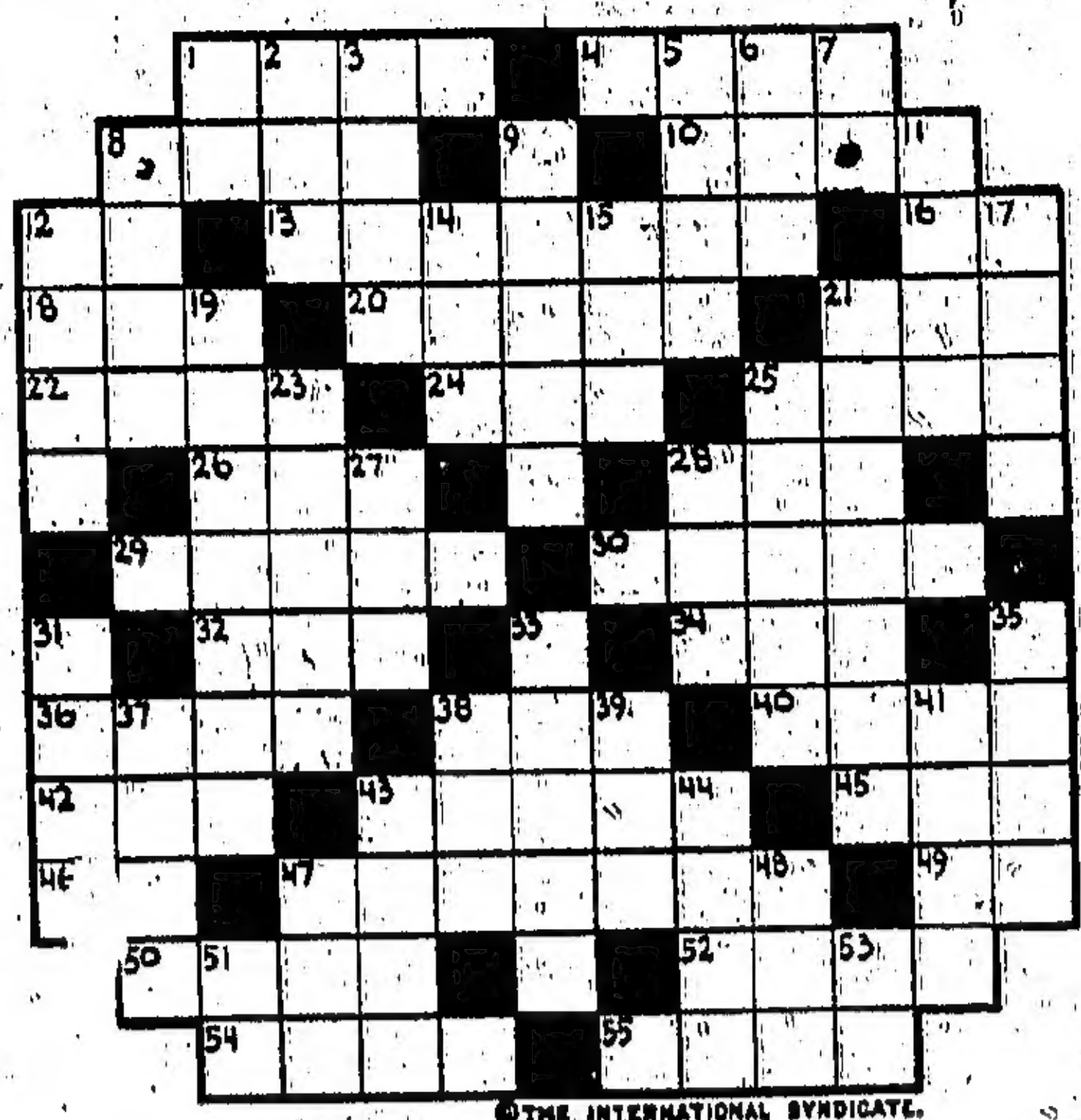
("France," by Sisley Huddleston, Benn.)

Novel Library. His publishing house has now joined forces with that of Sir Ernest Benn, but the First Novels will go on. Those for spring include "Bush Fever," a West African story by Mr. Guy Brown; "Malayan Nights," a tale of love and adventure by Peter Martin; and "The Ragged Garment," a study of human nature from an unusual angle, by Mr. E. E. P. Samuel. Still another first novel will be "Monsoon Magic," by Mr. M. Inskip, a romantic tale of filibustering in the Philippines, told by an old seaman to his nephew.

Having run a serial course, the autobiography of that genuine humorist, Mr. Arthur Roberts, is shortly to appear in book form with the Bodley Head. One of the little but interesting things it claims for him, is that he originated the word "spoof," which has now passed into the English language. As a token of this he names his book "Fifty Years of Spoof," though, of course, that in no way covers its contents. It is personal and characteristic all through, and it is anecdotal to a degree about the theatrical celebrities and the music-hall lights whom Mr. Roberts has known during his three-score years and ten.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



## HORIZONTAL

1-A snare  
4-Wave  
8-Oran  
10-A small bottle  
12-Myself  
13-French tapestry  
16-From  
18-Unit of work  
20-New  
21-Animal's coat  
22-Vein, as of mineral  
24-Very damp  
25-Rank  
26-A rough timber  
28-A fish's propeller  
29-Natives of Denmark  
30-Sweetening  
32-Edge  
34-Negative adverb  
35-To petition  
38-Belonging to him  
40-Mature  
42-A color

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

46-Part of a flower  
48-Vanilla  
49-You  
47-Cure-all  
49-Conjunction  
50-Imperial  
52-Aquatic bird  
54-Appeal  
55-Flowing stalk

## VERTICAL

1-Toward  
2-A sort of cloth  
3-Presently  
5-Wicked  
6-Iniquity  
7-Equation  
8-A pond  
9-Instrument for measuring angles  
11-Clumsy fellow  
12-Muss  
14-To bend

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

15-Permit  
17-Worry  
19-One of King Arthur's knights  
21-A religious zealot  
23-Coin  
25-Severely  
27-Jewel  
28-Sport  
31-Active  
33-Indispensable  
36-Slave  
37-A shoal  
38-Female fowl  
39-Pouch  
41-Anguish  
43-To pass  
44-For fear that  
47-A desert  
48-Respect mingled with fear  
51-For instance  
53-Part of verb "to be"

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES!  
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

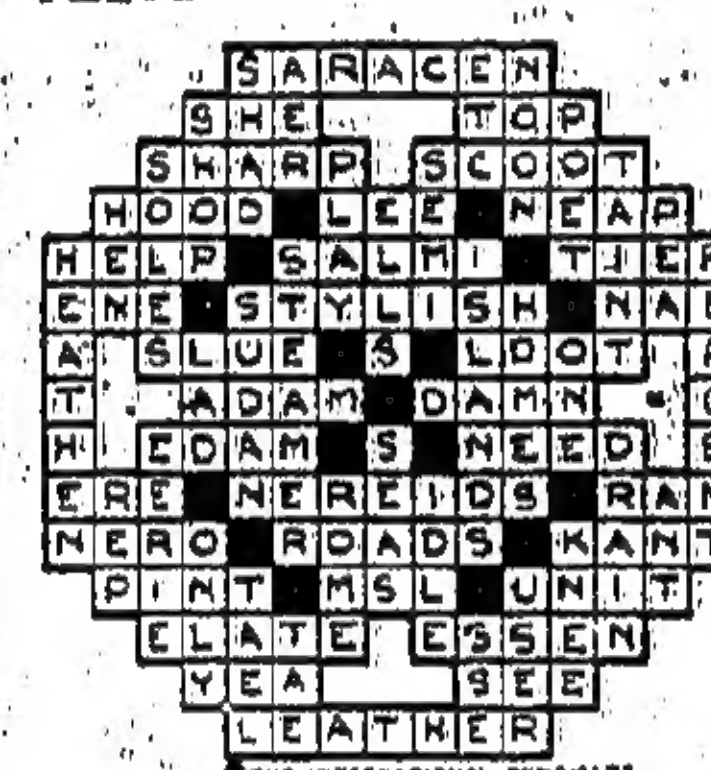
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## DICKENS RELICS GIFT.

In commemoration of the birth of Charles Dickens 115 years ago Alderman Sir Charles C. Wakefield, an ex-Lord Mayor of London, has purchased for £1,000 and presented to the Dickens Fellowship the selection of books and relics relating to Dickens which belonged to the late Mr. B. W. Matz.

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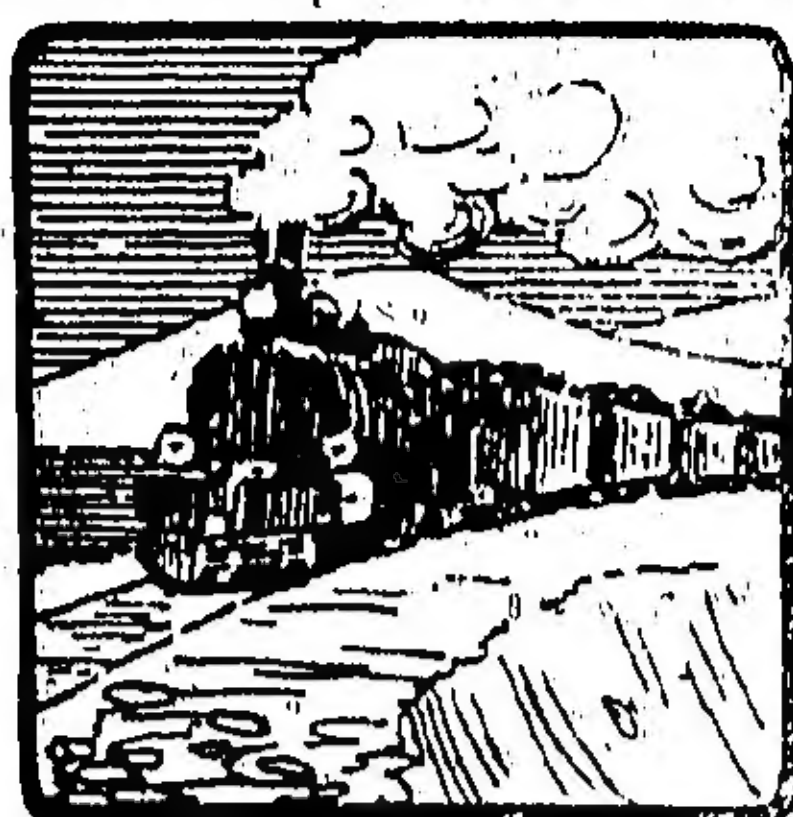
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were responsible for 306.Croydon licensing justices, by a  
majority, granted an application for  
a new hotel at Croydon Aerodrome.Dr. G. Roche Lynch has been ap-  
pointed senior official analyst to the  
Home Office in succession to the  
late Mr. John Webster.Part of the pithead gear, two  
screens, and the engine-house were  
destroyed in a fire at the Shildon  
Colliery, near Bishop Auckland.A water-colour drawing of Castle  
Upnor, Kent, by J. M. W. Turner,  
R.A., with a copy of the engraving  
by J. B. Allen, 1833, realised £120  
at Messrs. Sotheby's.The coal output for the week  
ended January 29 was 5,225,100  
tons by 996,100 workers, compared  
with 5,197,800 tons by 989,700  
wage earners in the preceding  
week.In the presence of his little  
granddaughter and other patients,  
Joseph Smith, aged 64, who had  
been suffering from influenza, fell  
dead in a doctor's waiting-room at  
Yeovil.Members of the Junior Naval and  
Military Club, Piccadilly, helped to  
fight a fire which broke out on the  
club's premises, and was quickly  
under control on the arrival of the  
fire brigade.A quartet comprising a bagpipe,  
two saxophones and a trombone has  
been formed at Glasgow by mem-  
bers of the band of the 1th (Ter-  
ritorial) Battalion of the Highland  
Light Infantry (City of Glasgow  
Regiment).Socialist Party headquarters in  
London has endorsed the candi-  
dature of Mr. R. F. Wilson in the by-  
election at Leith, Captain Wedg-  
wood Benn, the Liberal member,  
having decided to join the Socialist  
Party and resign his seat.Best man 42 years ago at the first  
marriage of Sir Hallowell Rogers,  
formerly M.P. for the Moseley divi-  
sion of Birmingham, Mr. T. E. Lowe  
was again present as chief witness  
at his second marriage at the  
Henrietta Street Register Office to  
Mrs. Phyllis Reeve, a widow.The Rubber Growers' Association  
has issued an appeal for funds for  
the relief of sufferers by the floods  
in Malaya, and the Council of the  
Association, in voting 500 guineas,  
suggests as a basis for calculating  
subscriptions of rubber companies  
a rate of not less than threepence  
per planted acre.The "London Gazette" announces  
the titles of two peerages conferred  
in the New Year Honours list—  
Sir George Hayer, Bart., to  
become Baron Hayer, of Chisle-  
hurst (Kent), and Colonel F.S.W.  
Cornwallis to be Baron Cornwallis,  
of Linton (Kent).The Prince of Wales visited the  
British Industries Fair at Birming-  
ham on February 22.Fifteen thousand miners in the  
northern coalfields of New South  
Wales have struck for higher  
wages.The publication of "The Whis-  
pering Gallery" has been discon-  
tinued in the United States of  
America.At Hull James Robinson, an  
unemployed labourer, charged  
with the attempted murder of  
his four children by administering  
coal gas, was remanded for  
observation by a doctor.At Walsall, Staffordshire,  
James Wilson Gillies, aged 46,  
was sentenced to one month's im-  
prisonment for being drunk in  
charge of his motor-car and was  
fined £5 for dangerous driving.Sir Arthur Balfour, Sir A.  
Norman Hill, Mr. W. T. Layton,  
Sir Max Muppratt, and Mr.  
Arthur Fugh have been nomi-  
nated by the Government to attend  
the International Economic Con-  
ference at Geneva in May.Miss Violet Cordery, the motor-  
ist, will begin her world tour by  
motor-car from her house at  
Cobham, Surrey instead of from  
the Royal Automobile Club, Lon-  
don, as had been arranged  
previously.A cablegram received at his  
Cheshire residence from Sir  
Delves Broughton at Delhi states  
that Lady Broughton while hunt-  
ing with a viceregal house party  
was severely injured through her  
horse falling and rolling on her.To make room for the extension  
of an artillery camp, the old  
village of Villedieu, in the  
Doubs Department, is to be wiped  
off the map of France, says a  
Central News (Paris) corres-  
pondent. The village has 186  
inhabitants, and everyone is  
obliged to leave it.**"NEURALGIA"**said the Doctor, "like many other  
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Co., 60 Kingston Road, Shanghai.The authorities at Meiningen,  
Germany, have decided to impose a  
fine on any boy under 16 caught  
smoking in public.Dr. Strassmann, the German For-  
eign Minister, has arrived at San  
Remo, Italy, where he intends to  
stay for three weeks.If they pay their rates within a  
month of the demand note Middle-  
borough ratepayers will be given a  
discount of 2½ per cent.Having resigned in consequence  
of interpellations in Parliament,  
Mostofi el Mamalek, the Persian  
Premier, has again assumed office  
with a reconstituted Cabinet.The Australian cruisers "Mel-  
bourne" and "Sydney" are shortly  
sailing for England, where they will  
be scrapped, and the crews trans-  
ferred to the new cruisers "Aus-  
tralia" and "Canberra."The fittings factory at the  
B.T.H. Lamp Works, Rugby, was  
completely destroyed by fire.  
About 140 men and girls are tem-  
porarily unemployed in conse-  
quence.The Prime Minister's speech at  
the dinner of the Worcestershire  
Association at the Hotel Victoria,  
London, on Tuesday, February  
22, was broadcast from Daven-  
try, states the "Radio Times."While dormitories above them  
were blazing furiously, 70 boys at  
the Preparatory School, Bafford  
near New Milton (Hampshire),  
sat calmly enjoying lunch, and  
did not leave the tables until they  
had eaten a second helping.The roadway between the train  
rails on a bridge over the River  
Ouse at Offord, Huntingdonshire,  
collapsed, and two horses, which  
were hauling a wagon along the  
tramway, fell into the river and  
were drowned.The war cemetery at Jerusalem  
on the Mount of Olives is nearing  
completion, and the memorial in the  
form of a chapel, the cost of which  
has been mainly subscribed by mem-  
bers of the Egyptian Expeditionary  
Force, will be unveiled by Viscount  
Allenby on May 7."I am quite satisfied that the firm  
complied with the regulations," said  
Mr. C. B. Root, factory inspector,  
when a verdict of Death from An-  
thrax was returned at the adjourned  
inquest at Folkestone, on Edward  
Harvey Taylor, 15, who had been  
employed at a brush factory.No less than 60 persons, com-  
mitted suicide last year by leap-  
ing into the boiling crater of the  
volcano Asotake, says a Central  
News message from Tokyo, and  
the authorities of Nagasaki have  
been considering how best to  
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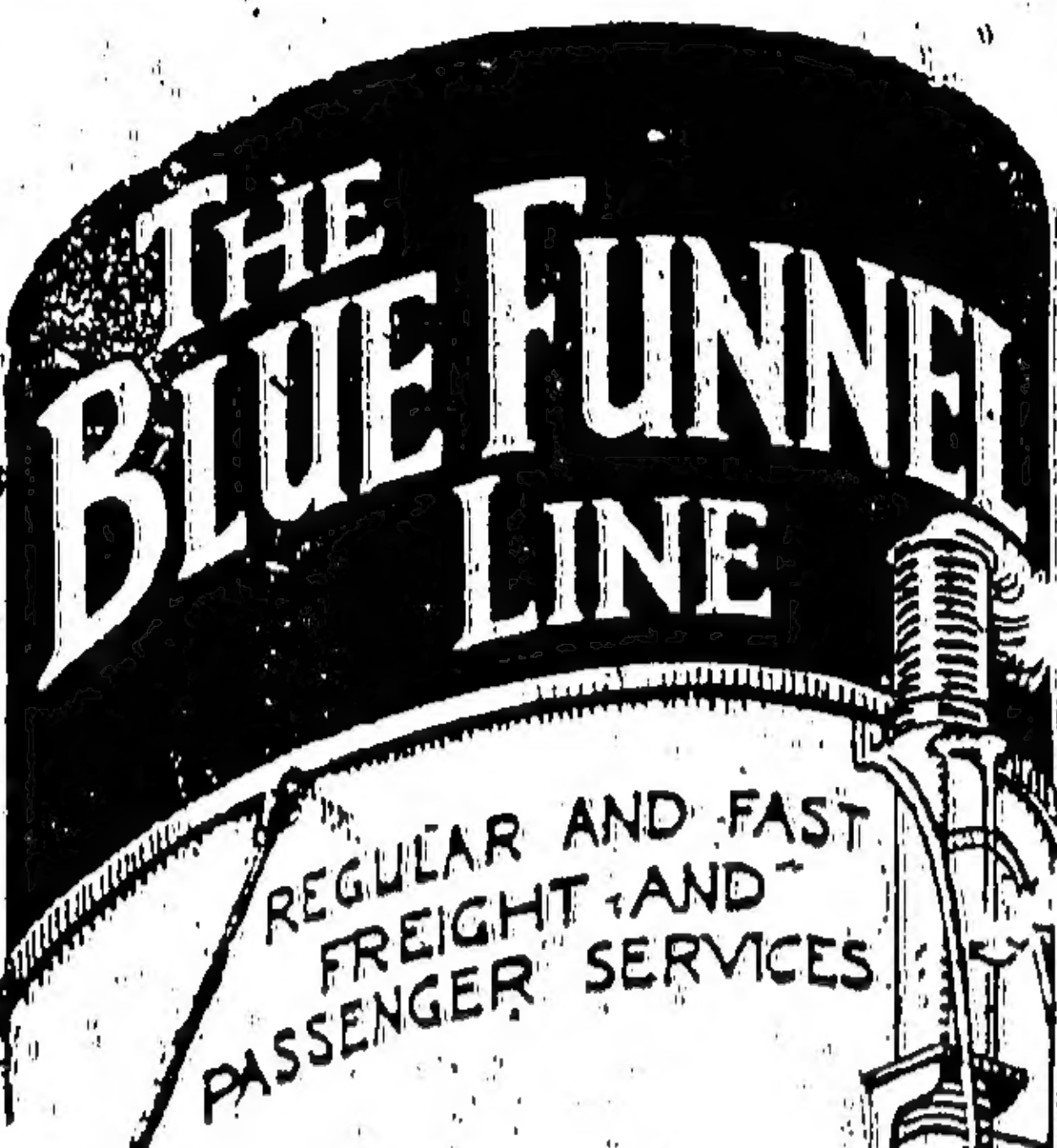
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## SHANGHAI TENSION.

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### WUHU RIOTS.

Mr. Chen Asked to Use His Influence.

London, March 16.

In the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) as regards the disturbances at Wuhu, said that Mr. Eugene Chen, Nationalist Foreign Minister, had been asked to telegraph instructions for the protection of British lives and property and the suppression of anti-British agitation.

Sir Austen Chamberlain declared that the Government was most loath to interfere and dealt with the Nationalist Government on the basis of that the latter, having assumed responsibility, would discharge their duties. Sir Austen Chamberlain earnestly trusted that they would.

Diplomatic Representatives. Mr. W. Windsor (Labour) asked whether, seeing that a diplomatic representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government had been appointed to Japan, the question of the diplomatic representation of that government in England had been discussed with the Chinese Foreign Minister.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that the question of the diplomatic representation of the Nationalist Government in England had not been discussed. He did not think the Nationalist functionaries who he understood had been sent to Japan at various times could properly be described as diplomatic representatives. — Reuter.

### SHANGHAI MURDERS.

A Question in the House of Commons.

London, March 16.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Howard Bury who asked whether he was taking any steps to protect the lives of Chinese workmen in Shanghai against the attacks of extremists, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, pointed out that such protection was primarily the responsibility of the Municipal authority through the machinery normally under their control. It was not very desirable that British troops who were there for another purpose should be used for this purpose.

Mr. Howard Bury asked whether the Americans were only protecting their nationals and not participating in the general defence of the Settlement. Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that if Mr. Howard Bury wanted to know the exact position of the American Government he should address his question to them. (Laughter).

### PARTY POLITICS.

An Effective Answer to Hecklers.

London, March 16.

The Liberal candidate at the North Southwark by-election, Mr. E. Strauss, who supports the Government's policy in China, says that the chief interrupters at his meetings are people who shout: "British aims in China are to make slaves of the Chinese," to which Mr. Strauss retorts: "The British people in China are warehousemen, clerks and other workers who are selling goods manufactured in this country—if we refuse to protect their lives the whole trade will be lost and thousands of British men and women will be thrown out of work." — Reuter.

### SINGAPORE TRAGEDY.

The Question of Government Inquiry.

London, March 16.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. G. Lansbury (Labour) with regard to the disturbance at Singapore, in connection with the Sun Yat-sen celebrations, Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for Colonies, said the Governor had stated that he proposed to await the conclusion of the inquest on the dead before considering whether any further enquiry was desirable. — Reuter.

### SIR ALFRED MOND.

Policy of "Scuttle" Denounced.

Addressing a Conservative meeting at Wines, Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., said that he looked with anxiety on the position of China and the policy of the Government. He did not say that existing treaties should never be changed, but he did say it was not at the option of any one party to change any treaty between any two countries. That was contrary to the whole basis of the treaty law. To yield to violence, to yield to mobs, to yield even to a threatened loss of trade, would be a wrong policy for any Government which represented Britain.

Britain's Prestige. He did not agree that our interests in China were merely trade interests. There was the question of the prestige of Great Britain and those she represented. China was not isolated. The East was not divided into splinters. The East was one, and the reaction against our position in any part of the East reached throughout the whole of the East. He did not know why we should negotiate with Mr. Chen. Hankow and Shanghai were not in the Cantonese part of China at all. He went on to inquire if it was permissible in the dignity of our nation that a riotous mob, got together by agitators, should enter and loot the Hankow concession and endanger the life and liberty of British men and women and pull down the British flag.

A Staff in China. If he were the head of the Government he would want an apology from any Government who did that. To carry on trade with China and in China one of the essentials was that the life and property of British people should be respected. (Cheers.) "I say as one responsible for a British staff in China," said Sir Alfred, "that you will not be able to get a staff to go there unless that is the case. (Cheers.) I wish some of those political gentlemen who are doing no trade in China would leave the trade part to us. We are all prepared to face the stress of boycott and to deal with the trade aspect. We know exactly how to handle it. What we ask for is the support of our Government in the protection of life and property." (Cheers.)

Amid applause Sir Alfred added: "You will get no more concessions from the Chinese by fear or by running away. The policy of scuttle and funk has never been any use to British Empire, and never will be."

### EARLY MESSAGES.

Hankow Husband's Bitter Protest.

Shanghai, March 16.

A message from Hankow dated the 14th says that the husbands of emancipated wives staged a protest of demonstration before the headquarters of the General Labour Union to-day, crying down with the Women's Union.

The demonstrators are mostly labourers. They claim that since the arrival of the Nationalists (whose agents they assert preach freedom of women, free-love, the emancipation of womanhood, etc.) their wives no longer return home to their bed and board but spend the nights out in the same manner as alley cats.

The husbands are claiming that their homes will be disrupted by the new "emancipation," and demand the return of their wives to the old custom. — Reuter.

### Nanking Menaced.

Shanghai, March 16.

There were persistent reports to-night of fighting between Wuhu and Nanking, within thirty miles of the latter city.

Telegraphic communication between Nanking and Pengpu is interrupted to-day, but responsible quarters here do not believe Pengpu has been captured. They believe, however, that Nanking is seriously menaced. — Reuter.

### EXPLOITATION.

Another Preposterous Labour Charge.

London, March 16.

The Chinese situation was the issue in a triangular by-election in Leith. The Labour candidate, Mr. Wilson, issued a manifesto declaring that British troops were now in China to enable the capitalists to exploit Chinese resources. The Unionist who was beaten, replied vigorously, characterising the suggestion that the British Government was trying to get political control of China as a "deliberate and calculated lie." — Reuter.

### Legation Episode.

London, March 16.

The "Daily Telegraph," referring to the gathering at the Chinese legation in honour of Sun Yat-sen and the presence there of Mr. George Lansbury, says the facts with regard to this meeting are inexplicable on any hypothesis than that the legation has become a Branch of the Kuomintang, and that the members of that party in London are, as one of them declared, permitting the legation officials to carry on "on trust for future masters." — Reuter.

### JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

Time not Ripe for Return of Concessions.

London, March 16.

In editorial allusion to the Japanese decision that the time is not ripe for the return of the Japanese concessions to China the "Daily Telegraph" observes that if the disposition existed in Tokyo to make such advances in the absence of pressure it could hardly have survived the knowledge of what actually followed the British policy of meeting the nationalist demands more than half way, for there is no wonder the terms whereon the British concessions in Hankow and Kiangsu were surrendered created dismay and apprehension in the British community in Shanghai. — Reuter.

### "WHO DOESN'T KNOW ME?"

Two youths who were charged before Mr. Lindsell with entering a carpenter's shop in New Street, West Point, for an unlawful purpose last night, both claimed to be acquainted with a Toki of the shop. This man denied all knowledge of them and when asked by the Magistrate how it was that they knew him by name said "I have lived over 20 years in Hong Kong. Who doesn't know me?"

Magistrate: I don't.

The youths whose arrest was brought about by a neighbour who saw them meddling with the door were convicted.

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